

The Gospel

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[0 : 00] The 23rd of January. The Gospel. Our passage today, the beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Mark chapter 1 verse 1.

Surely the word Gospel must be one of the words that Christian people use over and over again. The word Gospel itself has come to mean good news and a very particular good news at that. In Mark chapter 1 verse 14, we read of Jesus Christ proclaiming the Gospel of God. Paul the Apostle also spoke of the Gospel of God twice in 1 Thessalonians chapter 2.

That lets us see how important this news is. It is something that God has made known to us. We didn't discover it by ourselves. Again, the Gospel is the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Mark chapter 1 verse 1. It is about Jesus. It came to us from God, by Jesus, and Jesus himself is the good news. This Gospel is for all people. It is God's response to a universal need.

[1 : 14] It is important for each of us. The Gospel is a true message about salvation for sinners, and we have all sinned against God. The good news takes us to a sad place, the cross.

But it is there that God turned the bad news of our sin into the good news of grace and forgiveness. For it also takes us to the resurrection of Jesus, and life everlasting for all who believe.

And a prayer. Dear Lord, thank you for the Gospel. Help me to rejoice in all you have done for my salvation. Amen.

Amen. Amen. Thank you.