

DIGITAL
SERMON
NOTES



Behold

THE RISEN KING

Mark 16:1–20 (CSB)

RESURRECTION MORNING

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APPEARANCES OF THE RISEN LORD

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⁹Early on the first day of the week, after he had risen, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons.

¹⁰She went and reported to those who had been with him, as they were mourning and weeping. ¹¹Yet, when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they did not believe it.

¹²After this, he appeared in a different form to two of them walking on their way into the country. ¹³And they went and reported it to the rest, who did not believe them either.

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THE GREAT COMMISSION

¹⁴Later he appeared to the Eleven themselves as they were reclining at the table. He rebuked their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who saw him after he had risen. ¹⁵Then he said to them, **“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.**

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16Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. **17**And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; **18**they will pick up snakes; if they should drink anything deadly, it will not harm them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will get well.”

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THE ASCENSION

¹⁹So the Lord Jesus, after speaking to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. ²⁰And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word by the accompanying signs.]

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The Gospel of “John Mark”

- Earliest Gospel @ 30 years after the resurrection
- Not Earliest attestation of the resurrection (1 Cor. 15:3–7)
- Greek was second language, Aramaic primary language
- Mark’s Greek is simple, rough
- Written in an “oral style” to a primarily oral culture (less than 5% literate)
- Can be divided into 3 main divisions
 - 1) Galilean Ministry 2) Journey to 3) Jerusalem
- Starts fast, moves fast, pauses in each major section, and then fast again

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Εὐθέως

eutheós

“IMMEDIATELY”

40/42 times

80% of all NT uses

In Chapter 1 alone he uses it 11 times!

What do Luke and Matthew think of John?

Luke uses over 50% of Mark

Matthew uses over 90% of Mark

No commentary on Mark until the 5th Century

Neither Luke or Matthew use anything in Mark past 16:8

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“Long Ending of Mark”

External & Internal Evidence

- **Codex Alexandrinus (5th) included**
- **Codex Sinaiticus (4th) not included but writing?**
- **Codex Vaticanus (4th) not included but space**

External & Internal Evidence

- **Overwhelmingly against the long ending**
 - **Grammar**
 - **Vocabulary**
 - **Style**

16:9–20 I am committed to inspired Apostolic writings as the true word of God, the only source for faith and practice. However, these verses are not inspired, possibly even heretical (drinking poison, handling snakes). I refuse to comment on them!

Utley, R. J. D. (2000). The Gospel according to Peter: Mark and I & II Peter: Vol. Volume 2 (p. 205). Bible Lessons International.

**WHAT IF MARK REALLY DID
MEAN TO STOP AT VERSE 8**

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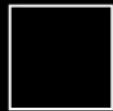
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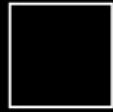
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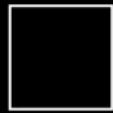
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A Gospel should not end that way!

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An easter egg in movies is a hidden, intentional message, reference, or inside joke inserted by filmmakers for attentive viewers to discover. These secrets can include nods to other films, clues about future plotlines, or personal signatures from the director, often serving as fun rewards for dedicated fans.









Think about it

Think again

Just think

Easter Eggs in the Gospel of Mark

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1. Three Death and Resurrection Predictions that Jesus Gives

Mark 8:31–33

³¹Then he began to teach them that it was necessary for the Son of Man to suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests, and scribes, be killed, and rise after three days. ³²He spoke openly about this. Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning around and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “**Get behind me, Satan! You are not thinking about God’s concerns but human concerns.**”

Mark 9:30–32

³⁰Then they left that place and made their way through Galilee, but he did not want anyone to know it. ³¹For he was teaching his disciples and telling them, “**The Son of Man** is going to be betrayed into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after he is killed, he will rise **three days later.**” ³²But they did not understand this statement, and they were afraid to ask him.

Mark 10:32–34

³²They were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. The disciples were astonished, but those who followed him were afraid. Taking the Twelve aside again, he began to tell them the things that would happen to him. ³³“**See, we are going up to Jerusalem. The Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death. Then they will hand him over to the Gentiles, ³⁴and they will mock him, spit on him, flog him, and kill him, and he will rise after three days.”**”

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- 2. “Son of Man”**

“Son of Man”

- Used by Jesus 80+ times. Once by Steven. Twice in Revelations
- Does not mean what most people think it means
- It is not primarily a humble emphasis on Jesus' humanity
- It is a “not so subtle” claim based on Ezekiel and Daniel pointing to the divinity, victory, and role of savior that Christ fulfills

(humanity) Son of Man **VS.** Son of God (divinity)

Daniel 7:13b–14

and suddenly one like a son of man was coming with the clouds of heaven.

He approached the Ancient of Days and was escorted before him.

¹⁴He was given dominion and glory and a kingdom,

so that those of every people, nation, and language should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion

that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will not be destroyed.

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Mark 14:27

PETER'S DENIAL PREDICTED

²⁷Then Jesus said to them, “All of you will fall away, because it is written:

I will strike the shepherd,

and the sheep will be scattered.

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⁴⁰There were also women watching from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹In Galilee these women followed him and took care of him. Many other women had come up with him to Jerusalem.

...Then he laid him in a tomb cut out of the rock and rolled a stone against the entrance to the tomb. ⁴⁷Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses were watching where he was laid.

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³⁹When the centurion, who was standing opposite him, saw the way he breathed his last, he said, “Truly this man was the Son of God!”

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- 1:22 – **“amazed”** at His teaching
- 1:27 – **“amazed”** at His authority to exorcise demons
- 2:12 – **“astounded”** at healing of the paralytic
- 4:41 – **“terrified”** at the calming of the wind and waves
- 5:15 – **“afraid”** because He expelled demons into pigs
- 5:33 – women healed confessed **“with fear and trembling”** (knowing)
- 5:36 – Jesus tells synagogue leader father **“not to be afraid”**
- 5:42 – after raising his daughter from the dead **“utterly astounded”**

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- 6:50,52 – **“Do not be afraid. It is I.”** – Jesus while walking on water
- 9:6 – at Transfiguration Peter did not what to say because **“they were terrified”**
- 9:15 – crowd **“overwhelmed with wonder”** seeing Jesus
- 9:32 – at second prediction the **“disciples were too afraid to ask”**
- 10:32 – the disciples were **“astonished”** but the followers were **“afraid”**
- 11:18 – Chief Priests were **afraid** of him because the crowd was **amazed** by him
- 12:17 – Pharisees and Herodeans **“utterly amazed”** at his answer
- 15:5 – Interrogating Jesus Pontius Pilate was **“amazed”**

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- 7. Instructions after the transfiguration in Mark 9**

Mark 9:9

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

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- **Irony – When asked to be silent they spoke. When asked to speak they remained silent.**

We are challenged by Mark not remain silent!



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