

## ***Mark 1-5: Rules of Engagement***

### **“Kingdom Pictures”**

**Mark 4:10-12, 21-34**

*Mark was as concerned about the purpose of parables as he was about providing samples of them. Parables are designed as divine tools for the separation of receptive hearts from disinterested minds. The identity and mission of Jesus was available to all who were sensitive to the illumination of God’s Spirit: the kingdom of God has come near in Jesus Christ!*

#### **1. Mystery of Parables (vv.10-12, 33-34)**

#### **2. Mystery of Identity (vv.21-25)**

#### **3. Mysteries of the Kingdom (vv.26-32)**

- **Unexplained Growth (vv.26-29)**

- **Unexpected Impact (vv.30-32)**