"A change for the good is coming. It's not a separation. It's not a division. It's a multiplication."

Stacey Campbell, 2011

"...and he sent a man before them— Joseph, sold as a slave. They bruised his feet with shackles, his neck was put in irons, till what he foretold came to pass, till the word of the Lord proved him true."

Psalm 105:17-19 NIV

Change for the Good

Jesus' Gospel in Four Life-Changing Words

Life is hard.
For some, it's a gift.
For others, it's a heavy burden.
For most of us, it's both at the same time.

Suffering is human. As children of God, we are adopted into it.

"...till what he foretold came to pass, till the word of the Lord proved him true."

Psalm 105:17-19 NIV

I believe that an invitation to know the Trinity more intimately and to be known by them is extended to us in this season.

"The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God."

Mark 1:1 NIV

Written by Mark (or John Mark), who is a cousin to Barnabas (Colossians 4:10) and a 'spiritual son' to Peter (1 Peter 5:13).

It is generally believed to be one of the earliest New Testament letters.

Mark's gospel emphasizes Jesus' power, compassion, and authority, portraying Jesus as the ultimate example of humility and servanthood.

Mark traveled with Paul and Barnabas on their first missionary journey (Acts 13:5).

Tradition holds that Mark wrote his gospel letter based on Peter's eyewitness testimony of Jesus' life.

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Mark explains that Jesus is the Son of God and the Chosen One. Consequently, all of his letter serves to testify to this truth.

Compassion Authority Rebuke Kingdom

When we accept and live out four of the lifegiving words of Jesus' gospel, our lives and the lives of others will change for the good.

Compassion:

- Compassion is the twin sister of love.
- Compassion is our Christ-like response to others in need.
- Compassion is kindness in action.
- Jesus' compassion led Him to heal others, perform miracles, and serve others through teaching.

Dr. Fred Dombrowski

"When was the last time your criticism led you to a season of health and well-being?"