

What **wilderness experience** are you facing at this time?



JESUS IS OUR LIVING HOPE!

The Gospel of Mark for Today by Pastor Craig Rayment (part 1)
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BACKGROUND

- The word **gospel** means _____.
- The Gospel of Mark was written just after the fire in Rome in _____ AD.
- Rather than a sequential account of Jesus' life, the Gospel of Mark is an _____ account based upon Peter's eyewitness testimony.
- So, the Gospel of Mark is actually the Gospel of _____.
- The Gospel of Mark is not so much a biography of Jesus as it is a _____ sketch of who Jesus is.
- **The theme of Mark's Gospel is _____.**
- The Gospel of Mark reads like an _____ story.
- Mark's favorite word is the word _____. He uses it _____ times in his gospel account.

THE PREACHING OF JOHN THE BAPTIST (1:1-8)

Mark doesn't begin by giving us a description of Jesus' birth. Instead, he begins with two identity statements about Jesus.

Who is Jesus?

- He is the _____ (the Messiah).
- He is the _____.

Mark starts his account by telling us about Jesus' forerunner.

Who is John the Baptist?

- John's clothing and diet indicate the life of a _____.
- His leather belt recalls another prophet: _____ (2nd Kgs. 1:8)
- John's message is telescoped down to one central theme:
One mightier than John was coming who would baptize people in _____.
- Isaiah 63:14 says God gave the Exodus generation _____ through the Holy Spirit.
- Baptism of the Spirit speaks of the _____ through Jesus.

THE BAPTISM OF JESUS (1:9-11)

3 Observations:

1. Jesus is baptized because baptism symbolizes (represents) _____ to God.

2. Notice how the _____ is depicted.

3. Mark uses a very unique term to describe the heavens opening up.

The word in the Greek (*schizo*) means _____.

JESUS IN THE WILDERNESS (1:12-13)

Mark doesn't list as many details about Jesus' wilderness experience as the other gospel accounts. For instance:

- He doesn't tell us that Jesus had been fasting.
- He doesn't tell us how Jesus was tempted by Satan.

But Mark does reveal two details that are unique to his account.

- He tells us Jesus was with _____.
- He tells us Jesus was ministered to by _____.

Our mission as a
church family is to
PROCLAIM JESUS
with love, truth & courage
through...

1. Christ-centered Worship ...

- That celebrates Jesus' victory on the cross.
- That blends great hymns of the faith with contemporary music.
- That encourages the sharing of prayer and praise requests.

2. Biblical Teaching ...

- That is relevant and practical.
- That explains the books of the Bible verse-by-verse.
- That deals with vital topics relating to our faith.

3. Caring community ...

- That is outward focused.
- That meets in small groups.
- That reaches future generations.
- That uses food to connect.

4. Grateful service ...

- That is done with joy and love.
- That is done in the name of Jesus.
- That is done for God's glory.



Weekly Events

North Shore Kidz

Kids up to 5th grade
Sundays @ 9:30am @ NSBC
Contact
ccrayment@gmail.com.

Men's Coffee Connection

Tues. & Thurs. @ 8am @ NSBC
Contact dselzey@gmail.com

Mountain Movers Middle School Youth Group

5th – 8th grade
Tues. 6pm – 8pm Contact
nsbc.middle@gmail.com.

Baptism in the lake! Sunday August 4th.

To get baptized this summer contact the church office or look for the sign up sheet in the Hub.



Join us on Sunday, July 28, at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary, as we sing your favorite hymns and songs of praise. Refreshments will be provided in the HUB, with the music starting at 6:30.

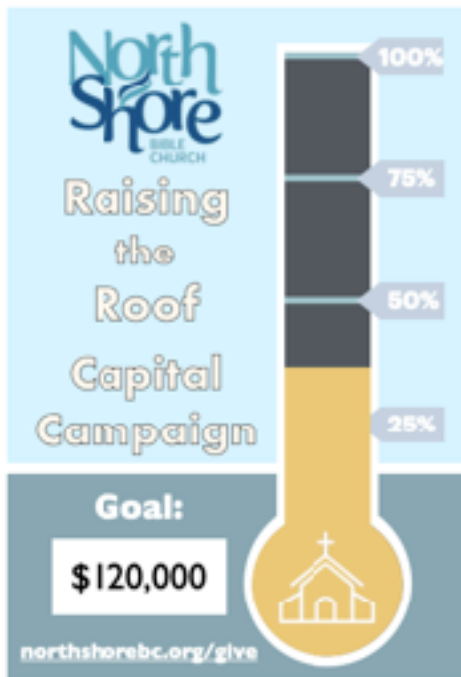
Weekly Prayer Meeting Every Sunday @ 8 am

Meeting in Room 12 Upstairs

Tithing

Tithing is an act of worship and is the privilege and duty of every follower of Christ. We provide offering boxes for you to participate in this important act of worship. The offering boxes are located in the HUB, in the foyer and outside Sower's Hall. Giving online is also available at northshorebc.org/give

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UP COMING EVENTS

VBS 2024 July 22nd - 26th



Starts Monday!
Get the kids
registered online at
northshorebc.org

NSBC night at Slidewaters!

Bring the whole family and join us for this free private North Shore event. Meet us at 7pm for a night of slides, fun, and ice cream! Desserts will be available for purchase during the first hour.



Please bring a towel and your favorite summer dish to share!

674 Hyacinth Rd, Manson
RSVP with Temmy Alejo
509.987.7086

Volunteer Opportunities

- **Ushers:** two couples or 4 individuals.
- **Kitchen Hospitality:** 6 volunteers
- **Children's Ministry:** 1 in nursery & 1 in preschool.
- **Tech Production:** 3 more to join production team.

Check in with the church office to find out how to get involved. Or email mail@northshorebc.org

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. - 1 Peter 4:10