



NEW TESTAMENT • GOSPELS

Mark

The serving, suffering Son of God.

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The big picture

Mark moves quickly from Jesus’ baptism into his teaching, healings, and confrontations. Even his disciples struggle to understand a Messiah whose path leads to a cross. Jesus receives people others dismiss and calls his followers to costly service. His death exposes the depth of his mission; the empty tomb announces a hope that fear cannot contain. Read the final chapter with attention to your Bible’s manuscript notes.

Words to carry

“For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Mark 10:45 · KJV

Live it

- 01 Serve someone in a practical way that costs you time.
- 02 Name a misunderstanding about Jesus and compare it with his actions.
- 03 Bring an honest fear to God rather than hiding it.

Pause & reflect

Am I willing to follow Jesus when service brings no applause?

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