



The Gospel of Mark

JESUS

The King Who
Came to Die

At once the Spirit sent him out into the desert, ¹³ and he was in the desert forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him.

Mark 1:12–13

A crown of thorns is shown in the foreground, with a bright, glowing light source behind it, creating a halo effect. The thorns are dark and sharp, contrasting with the bright light.

The King Sent To Battle

Jesus Is Immediately Sent To the Wilderness

At once the Spirit sent him out into the desert

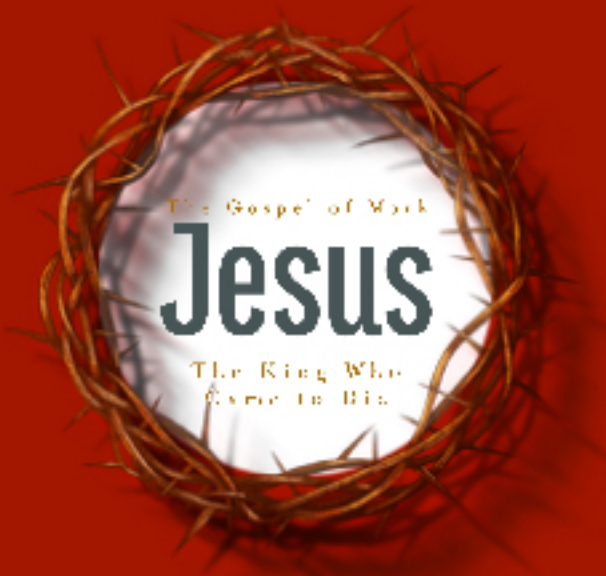
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The Spirit Sends Jesus Into the Wilderness

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God Is Forcing the Clash of Kingdoms

And I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers; he will crush
your head, and you will strike his heel.

Genesis 3:15



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The King In Battle

Jesus Is Locked In Battle With Satan Himself

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Three Key Times of Conflict With Satan Himself

- At the beginning of His public ministry (Mark 1:12-13; Matthew 4:1-11; Luke 4:1-3)
- Immediately after Peter's confession that Jesus was the Christ (Mark 8:27-33; Matthew 16:13-23; Luke 9:18-22)
- The night of His betrayal by Judas (Luke 22:3; John 13:27; Matthew 26:14-16; Mark 14:10-11)



Jesus Succeeds Where Israel Failed

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Jesus Succeeds Where Israel Failed

Today, if you hear his voice, ⁸ do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah, as you did that day at Massah in the desert, ⁹ where your fathers tested and tried me, though they had seen what I did. ¹⁰ For forty years I was angry with that generation; I said, “They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they have not known my ways.”

Psalm 95:7–10



Jesus Succeeds Where Adam Failed

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Mark 1:13



The Contrast Between Adam and Jesus, the 2nd Adam

- Adam was in a garden paradise, Jesus in a wilderness waste
- Adam was free to eat all he wanted (except from one tree), Jesus is fasting
- Adam is surrounded by submissive animals; Jesus is surrounded by wild beasts



Spiritual Strength From the Wilderness

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Jesus Is Victorious Over Satan!

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; ¹² they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. ¹³ You will tread upon the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent.

Psalm 91:11–13



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Applying

The Word

Death Through Adam, Life Through Christ

For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Romans 5:19

Death Through Adam, Life Through Christ

Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Hebrews 2:18

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Therefore, since we have a great high priest
who has gone through the heavens,
Jesus the Son of God,
let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.



For we do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but we have one who has been tempted in every way,
just as we are — yet was without sin.



Let us then approach the throne of grace with
confidence,

so that we may receive mercy

and find grace to help us in our time of need.

(Hebrews 4:14–16)



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