

MARK

Mark 4:26 →

Our approach each week will be REAP (read, explain, apply, personalize). In this series, however, we won't wait to document the 'apply' and 'personalize' until the end of the lesson. As we see them, we'll capture them.

What is God doing in you through His word from the portion of Mark we've studied so far?

Read: Mark 4

Explain: Mark 4:26 →

Bible study is asking and answering questions about the text. Let's ask some questions.

Are there any literary/structural observations?

Thesa's question from last week: **How do these verses (Mark 4:21-25) fit in the scheme of Mark 4 and in the overall scheme of Mark? See John 1:1-5, 14.**

What do the words mean?

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The Parable of the Seed Growing

26 And [G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,086 times in **Mark**] **he said** [G3004: λέγω; *lego*; verb: third singular imperfect active indicative; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 288 times in **Mark**] [G3779: οὕτω; *houto*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. in this way (referring to what precedes or follows); occurs in **2:7; 2:8; 2:12; 4:26; 7:18; 9:3; 10:43; 13:29; 14:59; 15:39**], **"The** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine nominative; 1. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **kingdom** [G932: βασιλεία; *basileia*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. (properly) **royalty** 2. (abstractly) **rule** 3. (concretely) a **realm**; occurs 20 times in **Mark**] **of** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **God** [G2316: θεός; *theos*; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 48 times in **Mark**] **is** [G1510: εἰμί; *eimi*; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. I exist; occurs 194 times in **Mark**] **as if** [G5613: ὥς; *hos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. which how, i.e. in that manner (very variously used, as follows); occurs 22 times in **Mark**] **a man** [G444: ἄνθρωπος; *anthropos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. (properly) man-faced 2. (concretely) a human being (man or female) 3. (generally) all human beings 4. (indefinitely) a man, someone, one; occurs 56 times in **Mark**] **should scatter** [G906: βάλλω; *ballo*; verb: third singular second aorist active subjunctive; 1. to throw; occurs 19 times in **Mark**] [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **seed** [G4703: σπόρος; *sporos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. a scattering (of seed) 2. (concretely) seed

(as sown); occurs in **4:26; 4:27** **on** [G1909: ἐπί; *epi*; preposition; 1. (properly) meaning superimposition (of time, place, order, etc.) 2. (genitive case) as a relation of distribution (over, upon, etc.) 3. (dative case) of rest (at, on, etc.) 4. (accusative case) of direction (towards, upon, etc.); occurs 72 times in **Mark**] **the** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **ground** [G1093: γῆ; *ge*; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. soil 2. (by extension) a region, or the solid part or the whole of the earthly globe (including the occupants in each application); occurs 19 times in **Mark**]. **27** [G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,086 times in **Mark**] **He sleeps** [G2518: καθεύδω; *katheudo*; verb: third singular present **active subjunctive**; 1. to lie down to rest 2. (by implication) to fall asleep; occurs in **4:27; 4:38; 5:39; 13:36; 14:37 (2); 14:40; 14:41 (2)**] **and** [G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,086 times in **Mark**] **risers** [G1453: ἐγείρω; *egeiro*; verb: third singular present **passive subjunctive**; 1. to waken 2. (literally) rouse from sleep, from sitting or lying, from disease, from death 3. (figuratively) rouse from obscurity, inactivity, ruins, nonexistence; occurs 19 times in **Mark**] **night** [G3571: νύξ; *nux*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. night; occurs in **4:27; 5:5; 6:48; 14:30**] **and** [G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,086 times in **Mark**] **day** [G2250: ἡμέρα; *hemera*; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. day 2. (literally) the time space between dawn and dark, or the whole 24 hours 3. (figuratively) a period; occurs 27 times in **Mark**], **and** [G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,086 times in **Mark**] **the** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine nominative; 1. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **seed** [G4703: σπόρος; *sporos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; 1. a scattering (of seed) 2. (concretely) seed (as sown); occurs in **4:26; 4:27**] **sprouts** [G985: βλαστάνω; *blastano*; verb: third singular present **active subjunctive**; 1. to germinate 2. (by implication) to yield fruit; occurs in **4:27**] **and** [G2532: καί; *kai*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,086 times in **Mark**] **grows** [G3373: μηκύνω; *mekuno*; verb: third singular present **passive subjunctive**; 1. to lengthen 2. (middle voice) to enlarge; occurs in **4:27**]; **he** [G846: αὐτός; *autos*; personal pronoun: singular masculine nominative; 1. self; occurs 757 times in **Mark**] **knows** [G1492: εἶδω; *eido*; verb: third singular **perfect active indicative**; 1. (properly) to see 2. (by implication, in the perfect tense only) to know; occurs 22 times in **Mark**] **not** [G3756: οὐ; *ou*; number: plural negative; 1. no or not; occurs 118 times in **Mark**] **how** [G5613: ὡς; *hos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. which how, i.e. in that manner (very variously used, as follows); occurs 22 times in **Mark**]. **28** **The** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular feminine nominative; 1. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **earth** [G1093: γῆ; *ge*; noun: singular feminine nominative; 1. soil 2. (by extension) a region, or the solid part or the whole of the earthly globe (including the occupants in each application); occurs 19 times in **Mark**] **produces** [G2592: καρποφορέω; *karpophoreo*; verb: third singular present **active indicative**; 1. to be fertile; occurs in **4:20; 4:28**] **by itself** [G844: αὐτόματος; *automatos*; adjective: singular feminine nominative; 1. self-moved ("**automatic**"), i.e. spontaneous; occurs in **4:28**], **first** [G4412: πρῶτον; *proton*; adverb: accusative superlative; 1. firstly (in time, place, order, or importance); occurs in **3:27; 4:28; 7:27; 9:11; 9:12; 13:10; 16:9**] **the blade** [G5528: χόρτος; *chortos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. a "court" or "garden" 2. (by implication, of pasture) herbage or vegetation; occurs in **4:28; 6:39**], **then** [G1534: εἶτα; *eita*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. a particle of succession (in time or logical enumeration), then, moreover; occurs in **4:17; 4:28 (2); 8:25**] **the ear** [G4719: στάχυς; *stachus*; noun: singular masculine

accusative; I. a head of grain (as standing out from the stalk); occurs in **2:23; 4:28 (2)**, **then** [G1534: εἶτα; *eita*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; I. a particle of succession (in time or logical enumeration), then, moreover; occurs in **4:17; 4:28 (2); 8:25**] **the full** [G4134: πλήρης; *pleres*; adjective: singular masculine accusative; I. filled, replete, or covered over 2. (by analogy) complete; occurs in **4:28; 8:19**] **grain** [G4621: σίτος; *sitos*; noun: singular masculine accusative; I. grain, especially wheat; occurs in **4:28**] **in** [G1722: ἐν; *en*; preposition; I. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 139 times in **Mark**] **the** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine dative; I. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **ear** [G4719: στάχυς; *stachus*; noun: singular masculine dative; I. a head of grain (as standing out from the stalk); occurs in **2:23; 4:28 (2)**]. **29 But** [G1161: δέ; *de*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; I. but, and, etc.; occurs 162 times in **Mark**] **when** [G3752: ὅταν; *hotan*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; I. whenever (implying hypothesis or more or less uncertainty) 2. (causatively, conjunctionally) inasmuch as; occurs 20 times in **Mark**] **the** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine nominative; I. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **grain** [G2590: καρπός; *karpos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; I. fruit (as plucked); occurs in **4:7; 4:8; 4:29; 11:14; 12:2**] **is ripe** [G3860: παραδίδωμι; *paradidomi*; verb: third singular second aorist active subjunctive; I. to surrender, i.e. yield up, intrust, transmit; occurs 20 times in **Mark**], **at once** [G2112: εὐθέως; *eutheos*; adverb or adverb and particle combined; I. directly, i.e. at once or soon; occurs 41 times in **Mark**] **he puts in** [G649: ἀποστέλλω; *apostello*; verb: third singular present active indicative; I. set apart 2. (by implication) to send out (properly, on a mission); occurs 20 times in **Mark**] **the** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular neuter accusative; I. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **sickle** [G1407: δρέπανον; *drepanon*; noun: singular neuter accusative; I. a gathering hook (especially for harvesting); occurs in **4:29**], **because** [G3754: ὅτι; *hoti*; conjunction or conjunctive particle; I. (demonstrative) that (sometimes redundant) 2. (causative) because; occurs 103 times in **Mark**] **the** [G3588: ὁ; *ho*; definite article: singular masculine nominative; I. the; occurs 1,505 times in **Mark**] **harvest** [G2326: θερισμός; *therismos*; noun: singular masculine nominative; I. reaping, i.e. the crop; occurs in **4:29**] **has come** [G3936: παρίστημι; *paristemi*; verb: third singular perfect active indicative; I. to stand beside 2. (transitively) to exhibit, proffer 3. (specially) recommend 4. (figuratively) substantiate 5. (intransitively) to be at hand (or ready), aid; occurs in **4:29; 14:47; 14:69; 14:70; 15:35; 15:39**].”

What is the flow of the parables in Mark 4?

What comes before Mark 4?

What comes after Mark 4?

What connects the parables in Mark 4?

Apply (What is the point?)

Personalize (What do we do with that?)

Our schedule plan

Next week we'll start with **Mark 4:_____**, and we'll go until we're finished.

Homework

1. Pray for help in understanding **Mark**
2. Hear **Mark** multiple times
3. Think about **Mark** often (day and night)
4. Talk with someone (dead or alive) about **Mark**
5. Share your insights about **Mark**
6. Invite a member and a non-member

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