

# MARK

Mark 1:9 →

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.

## Read: Mark 1

## Explain: Mark 1:9 →

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

### Are there any literary/structural observations?

**Mark** is a gospel, and gospels are narrative. Narrative doesn't stop to tell us the point, so we'll have to pay attention to what's descriptive and what's prescriptive. Don't overthink it, but don't miss it.

### What do the words mean?

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### The Baptism of Jesus

**9 In** [G1722: ἔν; *en*; I. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 111 times in **Mark**] **those** [G1565: ἐκεῖνος; *ekeinos*; I. that one 2. (neuter) that thing; occurs 20 times in **Mark**] **days** [G2250: ἡμέρα; *hemera*; I. day 2. (literally) the time space between dawn and dark, or the whole 24 hours 3. (figuratively) a period; occurs 24 times in **Mark**] **Jesus** [G2424: Ἰησοῦς; *Iesous*; I. Jesus (i.e. Jehoshua), the name of our Lord and two (three) other Israelites; occurs 79 times in **Mark**] **came** [G2064: ἔρχομαι; *erchomai*; 3<sup>rd</sup> singular 2<sup>nd</sup> aorist indicative active; I. to come or go; occurs 81 times in **Mark**] **from** [G575: ἀπό; *apo*; I. "off," i.e. away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 41 times in **Mark**] **Nazareth** [G3478: Ναζαρέθ; *Nazareth*; I. Nazareth or Nazaret, a place in Israel; occurs in **1:9**] **of Galilee** [G1056: Γαλιλαία; *Galilaea*; I. known as the heathen circle 2. Galiloea, a region of Israel; occurs 12 times in **Mark**] **and** [G2532: καί; *kai*; I. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in **Mark**] **was baptized** [G907: βαπτίζω; *baptizo*; 3<sup>rd</sup> singular aorist indicative passive; I. to immerse, submerge 2. to make whelmed or soaked (i.e. fully wet); occurs in **1:4; 1:5; 1:8 (2); 1:9; 6:14; 6:24; 7:4; 10:38 (2); 10:39 (2); 16:16**] **by** [G5259: ὑπό; *hupo*; I. under 2. (with the genitive case) of place (beneath), or with verbs (the agency or means, through) 3. (with the accusative case) of place (whither (underneath) or where (below) or time (when (at))). In the comparative, it retains the same general applications, especially of inferior position or condition, and specially, covertly or moderately.; occurs in **1:5; 1:9; 1:13; 2:3; 4:21 (2); 4:32; 5:26; 8:31; 13:13; 16:11**] **John** [G2491: Ἰωάννης; *Ioannes*; I. Joannes (i.e. Jochanan), the name of four Israelites; occurs 25 times in **Mark**] **in** [G1519: εἰς; *eis*; I. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 115 times in **Mark**] **the Jordan** [G2446: Ἰορδάνης; *lordanes*; I. the Jordanes (i.e. Jarden), a river

of Israel; occurs in **1:5; 1:9; 3:8; 10:1**. **10 And** [G2532: *καί; kai*; I. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in **Mark**] **when he came up** [G305: *ἀναβαίνω; anabaino*; masculine singular nominative present participle active; I. to go up; occurs in **1:10; 3:13; 4:7; 4:8; 4:32; 6:51; 10:32; 10:33; 15:8**] **out of** [G1537: *ἐκ; ek*; I. from (the point whence action or motion proceeds) 2. out (of place, time, or cause); occurs 51 times in **Mark**] **the water** [G5204: *ὑδωρ; hudor*; I. water (as if rainy); occurs in **1:8; 1:10; 9:22; 9:41; 14:13**], **immediately** [G2117: *εὐθύς; euthus*; I. straight 2. (literally) level 3. (figuratively) true 4. (adverbially of time) at once; occurs 36 times in **Mark**] **he saw** [G3708: *ὀράω; horao*; 3<sup>rd</sup> singular 2<sup>nd</sup> aorist indicative active; I. (properly) to stare at 2. (by implication) to discern clearly (physically or mentally) 3. (by extension) to attend to 4. (by Hebraism) to experience 5. (passively) to appear; occurs 50 times in **Mark**] **the heavens** [G3772: *οὐρανός; ouranos*; I. the sky 2. (by extension) heaven (as the abode of God) 3. (by implication) happiness, power, eternity 4. (specially) the Gospel (Christianity); occurs 17 times in **Mark**] **being torn open** [G4977: *σχίζω; schizo*; masculine plural accusative present participle passive; I. to split or sever; occurs in **1:10; 15:38**] **and** [G2532: *καί; kai*; I. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in **Mark**] **the Spirit** [G4151: *πνεῦμα; pneuma*; I. a current of air, i.e. breath (blast) or a breeze 2. (by analogy or figuratively) a spirit 3. (humanly) the rational soul 4. (by implication) vital principle, mental disposition, etc. 5. (superhumanly) an angel, demon 6. (divinely) God, Christ's spirit, the Holy Spirit; occurs 22 times in **Mark**] **descending** [G2597: *καταβαίνω; katabaino*; neuter singular accusative present participle active; I. to descend; occurs in **1:10; 3:22; 9:9; 13:15; 15:30; 15:32**] **on** [G1519: *εἰς; eis*; I. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 115 times in **Mark**] **him** [G846: *αὐτός; autos*; I. self; occurs 449 times in **Mark**] **like** [G5616: *ὡσεὶ; hosei*; I. as if; occurs in **1:10; 9:26**] **a dove** [G4058: *περιστερά; peristera*; I. a pigeon; occurs in **1:10; 11:15**]. **11 And** [G2532: *καί; kai*; I. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in **Mark**] **a voice** [G5456: *φωνή; phone*; I. a tone (articulate, bestial or artificial) 2. (by implication) an address (for any purpose), saying or language; occurs in **1:3; 1:11; 1:26; 5:7; 9:7; 15:34; 15:37**] **came** [G1096: *γίνομαι; ginomai*; 3<sup>rd</sup> singular 2<sup>nd</sup> aorist indicative middle deponent; I. to cause to be ("gen"-erate) 2. (reflexively) to become (come into being); occurs 44 times in **Mark**] **from** [G1537: *ἐκ; ek*; I. from (the point whence action or motion proceeds) 2. out (of place, time, or cause); occurs 51 times in **Mark**] **heaven** [G3772: *οὐρανός; ouranos*; I. the sky 2. (by extension) heaven (as the abode of God) 3. (by implication) happiness, power, eternity 4. (specially) the Gospel (Christianity); occurs 17 times in **Mark**], **“You** [G4771: *σύ; su*; I. thou; occurs 111 times in **Mark**] **are** [G1510: *εἰμί; eimi*; 2<sup>nd</sup> singular present indicative active; I. I exist; occurs 163 times in **Mark**] [G1488: *εἶ; ei*; I. thou art; occurs in **1:11; 1:24; 3:11; 8:29; 12:14; 12:34; 14:61; 14:70 (2); 15:2**] **my** [G1473: *ἐγώ; ego*; I. (emphatically, of the first person) I; occurs 104 times in **Mark**] [G3450: *μοῦ; mou*; I. of me; occurs 33 times in **Mark**] **beloved** [G27: *ἀγαπητός; agapetos*; I. beloved; occurs in **1:11; 9:7; 12:6**] **Son** [G5207: *υἱός; huios*; I. a "son" (sometimes of animals); occurs 33 times in **Mark**];<sup>[d]</sup> **with** [G1722: *ἐν; en*; I. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 111 times in **Mark**] **you** [G4771: *σύ; su*; I. thou; occurs 111 times in **Mark**] **I am well pleased** [G2106: *εὐδοκέω; eudokeo*; 1<sup>st</sup> singular aorist indicative active I. to think well of, i.e. approve (an act) 2. (specially) to approve officially (a person or thing); occurs in **1:11**].”

**Cross references****Matthew 3:13-17: The Baptism of Jesus**

**13** Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. **14** John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” **15** But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. **16** And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; **17** and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

**Luke 3:21-22**

**21** Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, **22** and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

**John 1:29-34: Behold, the Lamb of God**

**29** The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! **30** This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ **31** I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” **32** And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. **33** I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ **34** And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”

## Apply (What is the point?)

## Personalize (What do we do with that?)

## Our schedule plan

Next week we'll start with **Mark 1:\_\_\_\_\_**, 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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