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 1:14 →**

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

*Are there any literary/structural observations?*

Mark regularly references events he doesn’t describe, and he does so in today’s text.

Also, today’s text lays out Jesus’ message: **repent and believe in the gospel.**

**What do the words mean?**

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**Jesus Begins His Ministry**

14 Now [G1161: δὲ; de; 1. but, and, etc.; occurs 133 times in Mark] after [G3326: μετά; meta; 1. (properly) denoting accompaniment 2. "amid" (local or causal); occurs 49 times in Mark] John [G2491: Ἰωάννης; Ioannes; 1. Joannes (i.e. Jochanan), the name of four Israelites; occurs 25 times in Mark] was arrested [G3860: παραδίδωμι; paradidomi; aorist infinitive passive; 1. to surrender, i.e yield up, intrust, transmit; occurs 19 times in Mark], Jesus [G2424: Ἰησοῦς; Iesous; 1. Jesus (i.e. Jehoshua), the name of our Lord and two (three) other Israelites; occurs 79 times in Mark] came [G2064: ἔρχομαι; erchomai; 3rd singular 2nd aorist indicative active; 1. to come or go; occurs 81 times in Mark] into [G1519: εἰς; eis; 1. 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] Galilee [G1056: Γαλιλαία; Galilaea; 1. known as the heathen circle 2. Galiloea, a region of Israel; occurs 12 times in Mark], proclaiming [G2784: κηρύσσω; kerusso; masculine singular nominative present participle active; 1. to herald (as a public crier), especially divine truth (the gospel); occurs 14 times in Mark (including 1:4, 7)] the gospel [G2098: εὐαγγέλιον; euaggelion; 1. (properly) a good message 2. (specially) the good news of redemption through Jesus (i.e. the gospel of Jesus) 3. (also called) the good news; occurs in 1:1; 1:14; 1:15; 8:35; 10:29; 13:10; 14:9; 16:15] of God [G2316: θεός; theos; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 42 times in Mark], 15 and [G2532: καὶ; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in Mark] saying [G3004: λέγω; lego; masculine singular nominative present participle active; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 238 times in Mark], “The time [G2540: καιρός; kairos; 1. a set or proper time or season 2. an
occasion; occurs in 1:15; 10:30; 11:13; 12:2; 13:33] is fulfilled [G4137: πληρόω; pleroo; 3rd singular perfect indicative passive; 1. to fully, completely fill 2. (literally) to cram (a net), level up (a hollow) 3. (figuratively) to fully supply, satisfy, execute (an office), finish (a period or task), verify (or coincide with a prediction), etc.; occurs in 1:15; 14:49], and [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in Mark] the kingdom of [G932: βασιλεία; basileia; 1. (properly) royalty 2. (abstractly) rule 3. (concretely) a realm; occurs 18 times in Mark] God [G2316: θεός; theos; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 42 times in Mark] is at hand [G1448: ἐγγίζω; eggizo; 3rd singular perfect indicative active; 1. to make near 2. (reflexively) approach; occurs in 1:15; 11:1; 14:42];[a] repent [G3340: μετανοέω; metanoeo; 2nd plural present imperative active; 1. to think differently or afterwards, i.e. reconsider (morally, feel compunction); occurs in 1:15; 6:12] and [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in Mark] believe [G4100: πιστεύω; pisteuo; 2nd plural present imperative active; 1. to have faith (in, upon, or with respect to, a person or thing), i.e. credit 2. (by implication) to entrust (especially one's spiritual well-being to Christ); occurs 14 times in Mark] in [G1722: ἐν; en; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 111 times in Mark] the gospel [G2098: εὐαγγέλιον; euaggelion; 1. (properly) a good message 2. (specially) the good news of redemption through Jesus (i.e. the gospel of Jesus) 3. (also called) the good news; occurs in 1:1; 1:14; 1:15; 8:35; 10:29; 13:10; 14:9; 16:15].”

Footnote: e. Mark 1:15 Or the kingdom of God has come near

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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