

THE GOSPEL OF JESUS BY MARK

Mark 1:35-2:12 – September 25, 2022 – Pastor D R Hilken

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The leper physically destructive
 spiritually _____

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Miriam in Numbers 12

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Ceremony _____

To be made clean is _____ greatest need

Jesus breaks the law, and joins the leper as unclean

The leper's "well-intentioned disobedience" harmed/hindered Jesus' ministry

True _____ – Have some? Are one?

Scribes, too much of a good thing

The visible: _____ The invisible: _____

Jesus' title: Son of man

Mission accomplished—Mark 2:12—_____



Jesus is missing!
they'll learn ... He's off:

TALKING to DAD

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Stick to the MISSION

PREACH the Kingdom

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Leprosy = physically destructive & spiritually UNCLEAN

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verse 44... Jesus said to him,
“go, show yourself to the priest and
offer for your cleansing what Moses
commanded”

Ceremony UNPERFORMED

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HEARING OF THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT JESUS THE MESSIAH,
OF GOD, 2 AS IT IS WRITTEN IN ISAIAH THE PROPHET:
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WHO WILL PREPARE YOUR WAY.”—
VOICE OF ONE CALLING IN THE WILDERNESS,
PREPARING THE WAY FOR THE LORD,
AND MAKING STRAIGHT PATHS FOR HIM.”

3 SO JOHN THE BAPTIST APPEARED IN THE WILDERNESS,
PREACHING A BAPTISM OF REPENTANCE FOR THE FORGIVENESS
OF SINS TO THE WHOLE JUDEAN COUNTRYSIDE AND ALL THE PEOPLE OF
JERUSALEM WENT OUT TO HIM, CONFESSING THEIR SINS. THEY WERE
BAPTIZED BY HIM IN THE JORDAN RIVER. 4 JOHN WORE CLOTHING
MADE OF CAMEL’S HAIR, WITH A LEATHER BELT AROUND HIS WAIST,
AND HE ATE LOCUSTS AND WILD HONEY. 5 AND THIS WAS HIS
MESSAGE: “AFTER ME COMES THE ONE MORE POWERFUL THAN I, THE
SON OF GOD, WHOSE SANDALS I AM NOT WORTHY TO STOOP DOWN AND
TOUCH. 6 I BAPTIZE YOU WITH WATER, BUT HE WILL BAPTIZE YOU WITH
THE HOLY SPIRIT.”

7 **BAPTISM AND TESTING OF JESUS**
8 AT THAT TIME JESUS CAME FROM NAZARETH IN GALILEE AND WAS
BAPTIZED BY JOHN IN THE JORDAN. 9 JUST AS JESUS WAS COMING UP
OUT OF THE WATER, HE SAW HEAVEN BEING TORN OPEN AND THE
SON OF GOD DESCENDING ON HIM LIKE A DOVE. 10 AND A VOICE CAME FROM
HEAVEN, SAYING, “YOU ARE MY SON, WHOM I LOVE, WITH YOU I AM WELL
PLEASED.”

11 SINCE THE SPIRIT SENT HIM OUT INTO THE WILDERNESS, 12 AND
HE WAS IN THE WILDERNESS FORTY DAYS, BEING TEMPTED BY SATAN,
AND BEING WITH THE WILD ANIMALS, AND ANGELS ATTENDED HIM.

13 **ANNOUNCES THE GOOD NEWS**
14 AFTER JOHN WAS PUT IN PRISON, JESUS WENT INTO GALILEE,
PREACHING THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD. 15 “THE TIME HAS COME,” HE
SAID, “AND THE KINGDOM OF GOD HAS COME NEAR. REPENT AND BELIEVE
IN THE GOOD NEWS!”

16 **CALLS HIS FIRST DISCIPLES**
17 JESUS WALKED BESIDE THE SEA OF GALILEE. HE SAW SIMON AND
ANDREW CASTING A NET INTO THE LAKE, FOR THEY WERE
FISHERMEN. 18 “COME, FOLLOW ME,” JESUS SAID, “AND I WILL
MAKE YOU OUT TO BE FISH FOR PEOPLE.” 19 AT ONCE THEY LEFT THEIR
NETS AND FOLLOWED HIM.

20 WHEN HE HAD GONE A LITTLE FARTHER, HE SAW JAMES SON OF
ZEBEDEE AND HIS BROTHER JOHN IN A BOAT, PREPARING THEIR NETS.
21 HE CALLED THEM, AND THEY LEFT THEIR FATHER
ZEBEDEE IN THE BOAT WITH THE HIRED MEN AND FOLLOWED HIM.

22 **DRIVES OUT AN IMPURE SPIRIT**
23 THEY WENT TO CAPERNAUM, AND WHEN THE SABBATH CAME, JESUS
WENT INTO THE SYNAGOGUE AND BEGAN TO TEACH. 24 THE PEOPLE
WERE AMAZED AT HIS TEACHING, BECAUSE HE TAUGHT THEM AS ONE
HAVING AUTHORITY, NOT AS THE TEACHERS OF THE LAW. 25 JUST
THEN A MAN IN THEIR SYNAGOGUE WHO WAS POSSESSED BY AN
IMPURE SPIRIT CRIED OUT, 26 “WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH US, JESUS OF
NAZARETH? HAVE YOU COME TO DESTROY US? I KNOW WHO YOU
ARE—THE HOLY ONE OF GOD!”

27 JESUS SAID QUIETLY, “COME OUT OF HIM!” 28 THE
IMPURE SPIRIT SHOOK THE MAN VIOLENTLY AND CAME OUT OF HIM,
AND THE PEOPLE WERE ALL SO AMAZED THAT THEY ASKED EACH OTHER,

“WHAT IS THIS? A NEW TEACHING—AND WITH AUTHORITY! HE EVEN
GIVES ORDERS TO IMPURE SPIRITS AND THEY OBEY HIM.” 29 NEWS
ABOUT HIM SPREAD QUICKLY OVER THE WHOLE REGION OF GALILEE.

30 **HEALS MANY**
31 AS THEY LEFT THE SYNAGOGUE, THEY WENT WITH JAMES
AND JOHN TO A VILLAGE. THERE HE HEALED MANY DISEASES AND
DRIVE OUT MANY DEMONS, AND HE DID ALL THIS IN THE NAME OF
THE LORD, AND THEY WERE ALL PRAISING HIM.

32 **HEALS A PARALYZED MAN**
33 A FEW DAYS LATER, WHEN JESUS WAS GOING BACK TO NAZARETH,
HE CAME TO A CERTAIN PLACE WHERE A GROUP OF MEN HAD
LAIN A PARALYZED MAN ON A MAT. 34 WHEN JESUS SAW THEIR
FAITH, HE SAID TO THE MAN, “GET UP, TAKE YOUR MAT AND
GO HOME.” 35 HE GOT UP, TOOK HIS MAT AND WALKED OUT IN
FULL VIEW OF THEM ALL. THIS AMAZED EVERYONE, AND THEY
SAID, “WE HAVE NEVER SEEN THIS BEFORE.”

36 **JESUS CALLS LEVI AND EATS WITH HIM**
37 JESUS WENT TO A VILLAGE AND A LARGE CROWD
CAME TO HIM, AND HE BEGAN TO TEACH THEM. 38 AS HE WALKED
ALONG, HE SAW LEVI SON OF ALPHAEUS SITTING AT THE TAX
COLLECTOR’S BOOTH. “FOLLOW ME,” JESUS TOLD HIM, AND LEVI GOT
UP AND FOLLOWED HIM. 39 WHILE JESUS WAS HAVING DINNER AT
LEVI’S HOUSE, MANY TAX COLLECTORS AND SINNERS WERE
EATING WITH HIM AND HIS DISCIPLES, FOR THERE WERE MANY
WHO FOLLOWED HIM. 40 WHEN THE TEACHERS OF THE LAW
WHO WERE PHARISEES SAW HIM EATING WITH THE SINNERS
AND TAX COLLECTORS, THEY ASKED HIS DISCIPLES, “WHY
DOES HE EAT WITH TAX COLLECTORS AND SINNERS?”

41 ON HEARING THIS, JESUS SAID TO THEM, “IT IS NOT THE
HEALTHY WHO NEED A DOCTOR, BUT THE SICK. I HAVE NOT
COME TO CALL THE RIGHTEOUS, BUT SINNERS.”

42 **JESUS QUESTIONED ABOUT FASTING**
43 NOW JOHN’S DISCIPLES AND THE PHARISEES WERE FASTING,
SOME FOR TWO DAYS, SOME FOR THREE, SOME FOR FOUR.
44 JESUS ASKED THEM, “WHY DO YOU AND THE PHARISEES
FAST, BUT NOT JOHN? AND WHY DO YOU AND THE PHARISEES
FAST, BUT NOT JESUS?”

45 JESUS ANSWERED, “HOW CAN THE GUESTS OF THE
BRIDEGROOM FAST WHILE HE IS WITH THEM? THEY CANNOT,
SO LONG AS THEY HAVE HIM WITH THEM. 46 BUT THE TIME
WILL COME WHEN THE BRIDEGROOM WILL BE TAKEN FROM
THEM, AND ON THAT DAY THEY WILL FAST.”

47 **THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER**
48 AGAIN JESUS BEGAN TO TEACH BY THE LAKE. THE CROWD
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72 **ONE SOWS A PATCH OF UNSHUNK CLOTH ON AN OLD
SHIRT. OTHERWISE, THE NEW PIECE WILL PULL AWAY FROM THE
OLD, MAKING THE TEAR WORSE. 73 AND NO ONE POURS NEW WINE
INTO OLD WINESKINS. OTHERWISE, THE WINE WILL BURST THE
SKINS, AND BOTH THE WINE AND THE WINESKINS WILL BE RUINED.
NO, THEY POUR NEW WINE INTO NEW WINESKINS.”**
JESUS IS LORD OF THE SABBATH

74 **ONE SABBATH JESUS WAS GOING THROUGH THE GRAINFIELDS,
AND AS HIS DISCIPLES WALKED ALONG, THEY BEGAN TO PICK SOME
HEADS OF GRAIN AND EAT THEM, BECAUSE THEY WERE HUNGRY.
THE PHARISEES SAID TO HIM, “WHY DO YOU DO THIS, SINCE
THE SABBATH WAS MADE FOR MAN, NOT FOR MAN TO BE MADE
FOR THE SABBATH?”** 75 JESUS ANSWERED, “THE SON OF MAN
IS LORD OF THE SABBATH.”

76 **ANOTHER TIME JESUS WENT INTO THE SYNAGOGUE, AND A
MAN WITH A SHRIVELED HAND WAS THERE. 2 SOME OF THEM
WERE LOOKING FOR A REASON TO ACCUSE JESUS, SO THEY
WATCHED HIM CLOSELY TO SEE IF HE WOULD HEAL HIM ON THE
SABBATH. 3 JESUS SAID TO THE MAN, “STRETCH OUT YOUR
HAND AND SHOW IT TO ME.” HE STRETCHED IT OUT, AND HIS
HAND WAS COMPLETELY HEALED. 4 WHEN THE PHARISEES
WENT OUT AND BEGAN TO PLOT AGAINST HIM, HOW THEY
MIGHT KILL JESUS, JESUS REMAINED SILENT.**

77 **THE CROWDS FOLLOW JESUS**
78 JESUS WITHDREW WITH HIS DISCIPLES TO THE LAKE, AND
A LARGE CROWD FOLLOWED HIM FROM JERUSALEM. 79 AS HE
WAS CROSSING THE JORDAN AND A LARGE CROWD HE TOLD
HIS DISCIPLES TO HAVE A SMALL BOAT READY FOR HIM, TO
KEEP THE PEOPLE FROM CROWDING HIM. 80 FOR HE HAD
HEALED MANY, SO THAT THOSE WITH DISEASES WERE
PUSHING FORWARD TO TOUCH HIM. 81 WHENEVER THE
IMPURE SPIRITS SAW HIM, THEY FELL DOWN BEFORE HIM
AND CRIED OUT, “YOU ARE THE SON OF GOD.” 82 BUT HE
GAVE THEM STRICT ORDERS NOT TO TELL OTHERS ABOUT HIM.

83 **JESUS APPOINTS THE TWELVE**
84 JESUS WENT UP ON A MOUNTAIN SIDE AND CALLED TO HIM
THOSE HE WANTED, AND THEY CAME TO HIM. 85 HE APPOINTED
TWELVE THAT THEY MIGHT BE WITH HIM AND THAT HE MIGHT
SEND THEM OUT TO PREACH AND TO HAVE AUTHORITY TO DRIVE
OUT DEMONS. 86 THESE ARE THE TWELVE HE APPOINTED:
SIMON (TO WHOM HE GAVE THE NAME PETER), 87 JAMES SON
OF ZEBEDEE AND HIS BROTHER JOHN (TO THEM HE GAVE THE
NAME BOANERGES, WHICH MEANS “SONS OF THUNDER”),
88 ANDREW, PHILIP, BARTHOLOMEW, MATTHEW, WHO WAS
A TAX COLLECTOR, 89 JAMES SON OF ALPHAEUS, THADDAEUS,
SIMON THE KNAVE, AND JUDAS ISCARIOT, WHO BETRAYED HIM.

90 **JESUS ACCUSED BY HIS FAMILY AND BY TEACHERS OF THE LAW**
91 THEN JESUS ENTERED A HOUSE, AND AGAIN A CROWD
GATHERED, SO THAT HE AND HIS DISCIPLES WERE NOT EVEN
ABLE TO EAT. 92 WHEN HIS FAMILY HEARD ABOUT THIS,
THEY WENT TO TAKE CHARGE OF HIM, FOR THEY SAID,
“HE IS OUT OF HIS MIND.” 93 AND THE TEACHERS OF THE
LAW WHO CAME DOWN FROM JERUSALEM SAID, “HE IS
POSSESSED BY BEELZEBUL! BY THE PRINCE OF DEMONS HE IS
DRIVING OUT DEMONS.”

94 **SO JESUS CALLED THEM OVER TO HIM AND BEGAN TO
SPEAK TO THEM IN PARABLES. “HOW CAN SATAN DRIVE OUT
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5 THEN JOHN THE BAPTIST APPEARED IN THE WILDERNESS, PREACHING A BAPTISM OF REPENTANCE FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. 6 THE WHOLE JUDEAN COUNTRYSIDE AND ALL THE PEOPLE OF JERUSALEM WENT OUT TO HIM, CONFESSING THEIR SINS. THEY WERE BAPTIZED BY HIM IN THE JORDAN RIVER. 7 JOHN WORE CLOTHING MADE OF CAMEL'S HAIR, WITH A LEATHER BELT AROUND HIS WAIST, AND HE ATE LOCUSTS AND WILD HONEY. 8 THIS WAS HIS MESSAGE: "AFTER ME COMES THE ONE MORE POWERFUL THAN I, THE SON OF GOD, WHOSE SANDALS I AM NOT WORTHY TO STOOP DOWN AND TOUCH. 9 BUT I BAPTIZE YOU WITH WATER, BUT HE WILL BAPTIZE YOU WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT."

10 THEN AT ABOUT THAT TIME JESUS CAME FROM NAZARETH IN GALILEE AND WAS BAPTIZED BY JOHN IN THE JORDAN. 11 IMMEDIATELY AFTER BEING BAPTIZED, JESUS WAS COMING UP OUT OF THE WATER, HE SAW HEAVEN BEING TORN OPEN AND THE SPIRIT OF GOD DESCENDING ON HIM LIKE A DOVE. HE HEARD A VOICE SAYING, "YOU ARE MY SON, WHOM I LOVE, AND I AM WITH YOU."

12 THEN THE SPIRIT SENT HIM OUT INTO THE WILDERNESS. 13 AND HE WAS IN THE WILDERNESS FORTY DAYS, BEING TEMPTED BY SATAN. 14 AND THE DEVILS WERE WITH HIM, AND ANGELS ATTENDED HIM.

15 THEN JESUS ANNOUNCES THE GOOD NEWS: 16 "FOR JOHN WAS PUT IN PRISON, JESUS WENT INTO GALILEE, PREACHING THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD. 17 'THE TIME HAS COME,' HE SAID, 'AND THE KINGDOM OF GOD HAS COME NEAR. REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOOD NEWS!'"

18 THEN JESUS CALLS HIS FIRST DISCIPLES: 19 AS HE WALKED BESIDE THE SEA OF GALILEE, HE SAW TWO BROTHERS, SIMON AND ANDREW, WHO WERE CASTING A NET INTO THE SEA, FOR THEY WERE FISHERMEN. 20 HE CALLED TO THEM AND SAID, "FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF PEOPLE." 21 THEY LEFT THEIR NETS AND FOLLOWED HIM.

22 THEN WHEN HE HAD GONE A LITTLE FARTHER, HE SAW JAMES SON OF ZEBOEDE AND HIS BROTHER JOHN IN A BOAT, PREPARING THEIR NETS. 23 HE CALLED TO THEM, AND THEY LEFT THEIR FATHER ZEBEDEE IN THE BOAT WITH THE HIRED MEN AND FOLLOWED HIM.

24 THEN JESUS DRIVES OUT AN IMPURE SPIRIT: 25 HE WENT TO CAPERNAUM, AND WHEN THE SABBATH CAME, HE WENT INTO THE SYNAGOGUE AND BEGAN TO TEACH. 26 THE PEOPLE WERE AMAZED AT HIS TEACHING, BECAUSE HE TAUGHT THEM AS ONE HAVING AUTHORITY, NOT AS THE TEACHERS OF THE LAW. 27 JUST THEN A MAN IN THEIR SYNAGOGUE WHO WAS POSSESSED BY AN IMPURE SPIRIT CRIED OUT, 28 "WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH US, JESUS OF NAZARETH? HAVE YOU COME TO DESTROY US? I KNOW WHO YOU ARE, THE HOLY ONE OF GOD!"

29 THEN JESUS SAID SERNLY, "COME OUT OF HIM!" 30 THEN THE IMPURE SPIRIT SHOOK THE MAN VIOLENTLY AND CAME OUT OF HIM. 31 THEN THE PEOPLE WERE ALL SO AMAZED THAT THEY ASKED EACH OTHER, "WHAT IS THIS? A NEW TEACHING—AND WITH AUTHORITY! HE EVEN COMMANDS THE IMPURE SPIRITS AND THEY OBEY HIM!" 32 NEWS OF ALL THESE THINGS SPREAD QUICKLY OVER THE WHOLE REGION OF GALILEE.

33 THEN JESUS HEALS MANY: 34 AS THEY LEFT THE SYNAGOGUE, THEY WENT WITH JAMES AND JOSEPH THE BROTHER OF JESUS, AND THEY CAME TO CAPERNAUM. 35 THEN HE WENT INTO A HOUSE, AND A CROWD GATHERED AROUND HIM, SO THAT HE COULD NOT EVEN GET UP TO EAT. 36 THEN HIS DISCIPLES SAID TO HIM, "LOOK, HERE WE ARE, AND WE HAVE NO MORE BREAD FOR THIS CROWD."

37 THEN JESUS SAID TO THEM, "I HAVE BREAD, BUT I HAVE NO SALT. GO AND BUY A LITTLE SALT." 38 THEN HE TOOK THE BREAD, BROKE IT, AND GAVE IT TO THE PEOPLE. THEY ATE AND WERE FULL. 39 THEN HE TOOK THE REMAINS OF THE BREAD, AND HE BURNED THEM IN THE FIRE. 40 THEN HE SAID TO THEM, "DO NOT BE AFRAID, FOR I AM WITH YOU, AND I WILL SEND MY MESSENGER AHEAD OF YOU, WHO WILL PREPARE YOUR WAY"— 41 "THE VOICE OF ONE CALLING IN THE WILDERNESS, TO PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE LORD, TO MAKE THE STRAIGHT PATHS FOR HIM."

42 THEN JESUS FORGIVES AND HEALS A PARALYZED MAN: 43 A FEW DAYS LATER, WHEN JESUS AGAIN ENTERED CAPERNAUM, THE PEOPLE HEARD THAT HE HAD COME HOME. 44 THEY GATHERED IN SUCH LARGE NUMBERS THAT THERE WAS NO ROOM LEFT, NOT EVEN OUTSIDE THE DOOR, AND HE PREACHED THE WORD TO THEM. 45 SOME MEN CAME, BRINGING TO HIM A PARALYZED MAN, CARRIED BY FOUR MEN. 46 SINCE THEY COULD NOT GET HIM TO JESUS BECAUSE OF THE CROWD, THEY MADE AN OPENING IN THE ROOF ABOVE JESUS BY DIGGING THROUGH THE ROOF AND THEN LOWERED THE MAT THE MAN WAS LYING ON, AND HE GOT DOWN IN FRONT OF JESUS. 47 THEN JESUS SAID TO HIM, "YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN."

48 THEN THE PHARISEES AND THE SCRIBES SAID TO THEM, "WHY DOES HE SAY THIS? HE IS SAYING THAT HE CAN FORGIVE SINS, BUT GOD ALONE CAN FORGIVE SINS." 49 THEN JESUS SAID TO THEM, "WHY ARE YOU THINKING THESE THINGS?" 50 "WHICH IS EASIER, TO SAY TO THIS PARALYZED MAN, 'YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN,' OR TO SAY, 'GET UP, TAKE YOUR MAT AND WALK?'" 51 BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT THE SON OF MAN HAS AUTHORITY ON EARTH TO FORGIVE SINS." 52 SO HE SAID TO THE MAN, 53 "I TELL YOU, GET UP, TAKE YOUR MAT AND GO HOME!" 54 THEN HE TOOK HIS MAT AND WALKED OUT IN FULL VIEW OF THEM ALL. 55 THEN ALL THE PEOPLE WERE AMAZED, AND THEY RAISED SOULS TO JESUS, SAYING, "WHAT IS THIS? WE HAVE NEVER SEEN SUCH THINGS BEFORE!"

56 THEN JESUS NOW SAYS THAT HE WILL SEND HIS MESSENGERS TO THEM: 57 "WHY DOES THIS FELLOW TALK LIKE THAT? HE IS BLASPHEMING! WHO CAN FORGIVE SINS BUT GOD ALONE?"

58 THEN JESUS IMMEDIATELY KNEW IN HIS SPIRIT THAT THIS WAS WHAT THEY WERE THINKING IN THEIR HEARTS, AND HE SAID TO THEM, "WHY ARE YOU THINKING THESE THINGS?" 59 "WHICH IS EASIER, TO SAY TO THIS PARALYZED MAN, 'YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN,' OR TO SAY, 'GET UP, TAKE YOUR MAT AND WALK?'" 60 BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT THE SON OF MAN HAS AUTHORITY ON EARTH TO FORGIVE SINS." 61 SO HE SAID TO THE MAN, 62 "I TELL YOU, GET UP, TAKE YOUR MAT AND GO HOME!" 63 THEN HE TOOK HIS MAT AND WALKED OUT IN FULL VIEW OF THEM ALL. 64 THEN ALL THE PEOPLE WERE AMAZED, AND THEY RAISED SOULS TO JESUS, SAYING, "WHAT IS THIS? WE HAVE NEVER SEEN SUCH THINGS BEFORE!"

65 THEN JESUS ASKS ABOUT FASTING: 66 WHILE JESUS WAS HAVING DINNER AT LEVI'S HOUSE, MANY TAX COLLECTORS AND SINNERS WERE EATING WITH HIM AND HIS DISCIPLES, FOR THERE WERE MANY WHO FOLLOWED HIM. 67 WHEN THE TEACHERS OF THE LAW WHO WERE PHARISEES SAW HIM EATING WITH THE SINNERS AND TAX COLLECTORS, THEY ASKED HIS DISCIPLES, "WHY DOES HE EAT WITH TAX COLLECTORS AND SINNERS?"

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76 THEN JESUS HEALS ON THE SABBATH: 77 ANOTHER TIME JESUS WENT INTO THE SYNAGOGUE, AND A MAN WITH A SHRIVELED HAND WAS THERE. 78 SOME OF THEM WERE LOOKING FOR A REASON TO ACCUSE JESUS, SO THEY WATCHED HIM CLOSELY TO SEE IF HE WOULD HEAL HIM ON THE SABBATH. 79 THEN JESUS SAID TO THEM, "I WANT YOU TO ASK YOURSELVES THIS QUESTION: IS IT LAWFUL ON THE SABBATH TO DO GOOD OR TO DO EVIL, TO SAVE LIFE OR TO KILL?" BUT THEY REMAINED SILENT.

80 THEN JESUS HEALS THE MAN WITH THE SHRIVELED HAND: 81 HE LOOKED AROUND AT THEM IN ANGER AND, DEEPLY DISTRESSED AT THEIR STUBBORN HEARTS, SAID TO THE MAN, "STRETCH OUT YOUR HAND." HE STRETCHED IT OUT, AND HIS HAND WAS COMPLETELY RESTORED. 82 THEN THE PHARISEES WENT OUT AND BEGAN TO PLOT WITH THE HERODIANS HOW THEY MIGHT KILL JESUS.

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101 THEN JESUS SAID, "WHOEVER HAS EARS TO HEAR, LET THEM HEAR!" 102 THEN HE ASKED THEM, "DO YOU UNDERSTAND THIS PARABLE?" THEY SAID, "YES, BUT WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT IT MEANS." 103 THEN JESUS SAID, "TO YOU IT IS GIVEN TO UNDERSTAND THE SECRETS OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD, BUT TO THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE THEM, EVERYTHING IS IN PARABLES. 104 SO THAT, WHEN THEY HEAR, THEY DO NOT PERCEIVING, AND WHEN THEY SEE, THEY DO NOT UNDERSTANDING, OTHERWISE THEY MIGHT TURN AND BE FORGIVEN."

105 THEN JESUS TELLS THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER: 106 THEN JESUS SAID TO THEM, "DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND THIS PARABLE? HOW THEN WILL YOU UNDERSTAND ANY PARABLE? A FARMER SOWS THE SEED. 107 SOME SEED FALLS ON THE PATH, WHERE THE WORD IS SOWN AS SOON AS THEY HEAR IT, SATAN COMES AND TAKES AWAY THE WORD THAT WAS SOWN IN THEM. 108 OTHERS, LIKE SEED SOWN ON ROCKY PLACES, HEAR THE WORD AT ONCE, BUT THEY DO NOT HAVE DEEP SOIL. 109 SINCE THEY HAVE NO ROOT, THEY LAST ONLY A SHORT TIME. WHEN TROUBLE OR PERSECUTION COMES BECAUSE OF THE WORD, THEY QUICKLY FALL AWAY. 110 STILL OTHERS, LIKE SEED SOWN AMONG THORNS, HEAR THE WORD, BUT THE WORRIES OF THIS LIFE, THE DECEITFULNESS OF WEALTH AND THE DESIRES OF OTHERS CHOKE THEM. 111 SINCE THEY HAVE NO ROOT, THEY DO NOT BEAR FRUIT. 112 BUT OTHERS, LIKE SEED SOWN ON GOOD SOIL, HEAR THE WORD AND PRODUCE A CROP—SOME THIRTY TIMES, SOME FIFTY, SOME A HUNDRED TIMES."

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The leper's

“well-intentioned disobedience”

harm ed/hindered Jesus’ ministry

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True Friends

Must bring their friend to Jesus

Do you have some?

Are you one?

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SCRIBES, Carefully preserved the OT Interpreted the OT Read INTO the OT letter of the law vs spirit of the law too much of a good thing

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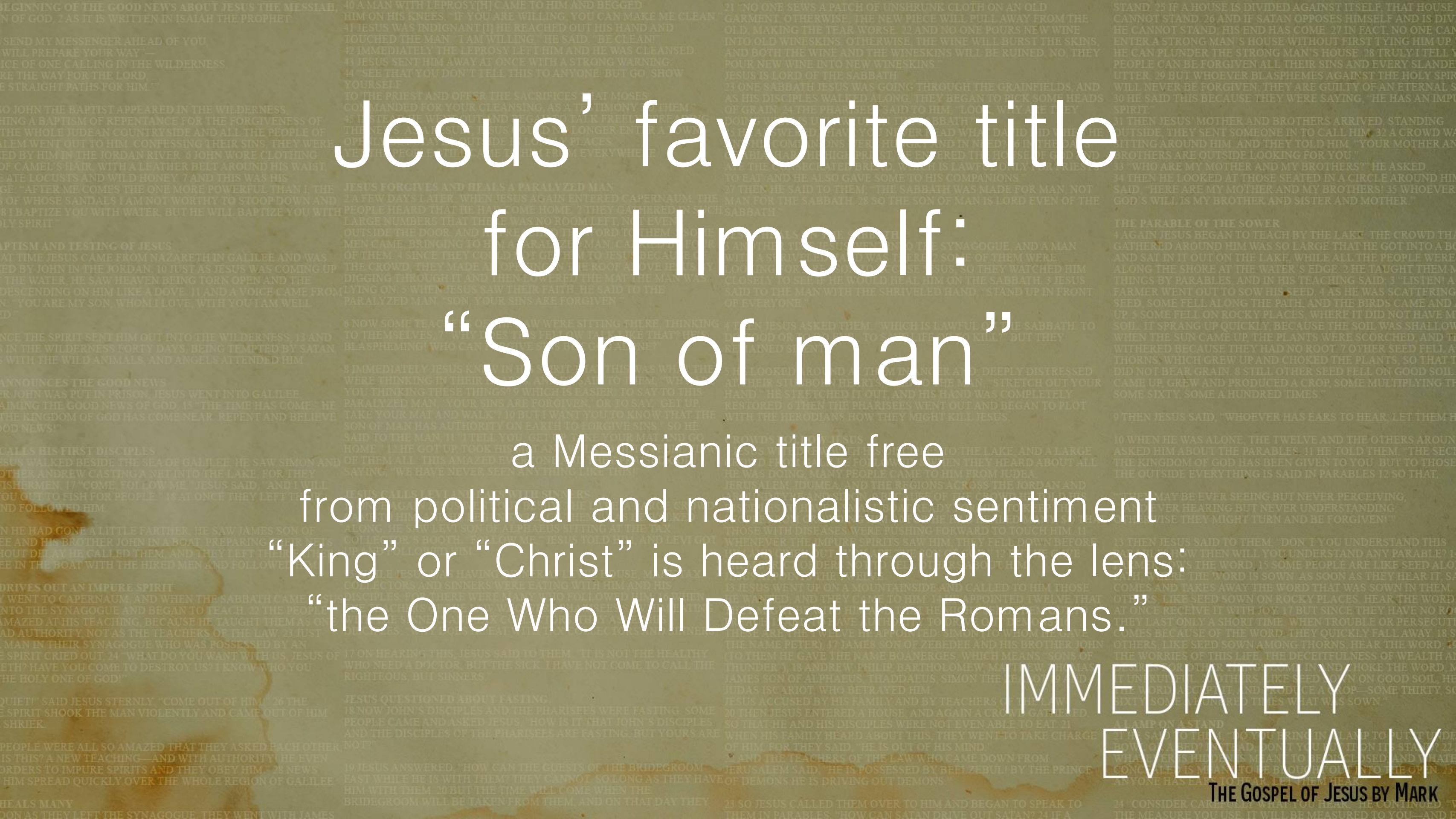
Both require the same divine power & authority

The visible: HEALING

The invisible: FORGIVENESS

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Jesus' favorite title for Himself: “Son of man” a Messianic title free from political and nationalistic sentiment “King” or “Christ” is heard through the lens: “the One Who Will Defeat the Romans.”

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Mark 2:12

And he (the leper) rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God

Mission accomplished
Glorify the Father

Immediately
Eventually

The Gospel of Jesus by Mark

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WHEN JESUS SAID, "WHOEVER HAS EARS TO HEAR, LET THEM HEAR," HE WAS ALONE. THE TWELVE AND THE OTHERS AROUND HIM ASKED HIM ABOUT THE PARABLES. 11 HE TOLD THEM, "THE SECRET OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD HAS BEEN GIVEN TO YOU. BUT TO THOSE OUTSIDE EVERYTHING IS SAID IN PARABLES. 12 SO THAT,

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24 “CONSIDER CAREFULLY WHAT YOU HEAR,” HE CONTINUED. “WITH
THE MEASURE YOU USE, IT WILL BE MEASURED TO YOU—AND

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BENEDICTION

*Pastor: “The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD look upon you with favor
and ☩ give you peace.”
People: Amen.*

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