

Mark 1:15

“The time has come,” he said, “the Kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the Good News.”

“The time has come...”

Old Testament concept

“the age to come”

A time when God would act in history

“the age to come”

Healing

Shalom

Wholeness

forgiveness

New Hearts & New Spirits

The Holy Spirit

Justice

Resurrection

God ruling over all the nations

“The Kingdom of God has come near”

Reign.

Rule.

The way God intended life to be in the
first place.

A reality to be experienced.

A way of life embodied by Jesus.

Mark 1:25 – 27 NIV

25 “Be quiet!” said Jesus sternly. “Come out of him!”

26 The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek.

27 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.” **28** News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.

Sets the captives free.
teaches with a new
authority.
brings order to chaos.

Mark 1:30 – 34 NIV

30 Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. **31** So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

32 That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. **33** The whole town gathered at the door, **34** and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

power to heal

Mark 1:40 – 42 NIV

40 A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, “If you are willing, you can make me clean.”

41 Jesus was indignant. He reached out his hand and touched the man. “I am willing,” he said. “Be clean!” **42** Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cleansed.

Restoration
Shalom

Mark 2:5 NIV

5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, “Son, your sins are forgiven.”

power to forgive sins

Mark 2:17 NIV

17 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.”

Brings good news to
all people.

The kingdom is for
everyone.

Mark 4:38 – 40 NIV

38 Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, “Teacher, don’t you care if we drown?”

39 He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Quiet! Be still!” Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

brings right order to
creation.

Mark 5:35 – 36, 40 - 42

NIV

35 While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. “Your daughter is dead,” they said. “Why bother the teacher anymore?”

36 Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, “Don’t be afraid; just believe.”

40 ... After he put them all out, he took the child’s father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. **41** He took her by the hand and said to her, “*Talitha koum!*” (which means “Little girl, I say to you, get up!”).

42 Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished.

raises the dead.

Mark 7:18 – 19 NIV

18 “Are you so dull?” he asked. “Don’t you see that nothing that enters a person from the outside can defile them? **19** For it doesn’t go into their heart but into their stomach, and then out of the body.” (In saying this, Jesus declared all foods clean.)

redefines religion.
the kingdom is about
new hearts.

Mark 8:25 NIV

25 Once more Jesus put his hands on the man's eyes. Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly.

gives sight to the blind

Jesus embodied a life of the Kingdom.

set the captives free.

Healing.

Restoration.

Forgiveness.

Raises the dead.

Redefines life.

Gives sight to the blind.

“Repent and Believe...”

It's an invitation.

“let go of your own agenda, align yourself with my agenda and become a full participant in this new way of life.”

the goal.

The invitation is to become the kind of person that actively participates in the spreading of the kingdom of God; spreading peace, justice, healing, wholeness, forgiveness, resurrection life... here and now.

Discipleship

The only way to get Jesus and his message is to follow him as a disciple.

Mark 1:17 – 18 NIV

17 “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” **18** At once they left their nets and followed him.

Drop their nets

Mark 3:14 – 15 NIV

14 He appointed twelve that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach
15 and to have authority to drive out demons.

Appoints disciples to
do what he did

Mark 4:33 – 34 NIV

33 With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand. **34** He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.

Jesus taught his
disciples everything

Mark 6:7, 12 – 13 NIV

7 Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits.

12 They went out and preached that people should repent. **13** They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

Sends them out and
they do what he did.

Mark 8:29 – 30 NIV

29 “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

Peter answered, “You are the Messiah.”

30 Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.

Recognize him.

They get it by following
him.

Mark 9:31-35

Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, **31** because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered over to human hands. He will be killed, and after three days he will rise.” **32** But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it.

33 They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the road?” **34** But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

35 Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.”

The mission is one of Love.

The mission is the cross.

Following Jesus will cost you your life.

If you really want to get it, you have to give it all away.

If you really want to get it, you have
to follow Jesus with everything.

The Kingdom is a reality to be
experienced.

Mark 4:9 – 11 NIV

9 Then Jesus said, “Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.”

10 When 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 on the outside everything is said in parables

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