

A Glorious Confirmation

Proclamation Wednesday Gathering; Week of Sunday, July 14, 2019; Steve Thiel

Sermon Theme – The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is absolutely essential to the Christian faith. It certifies that Jesus truly is the Son of God, our Prophet, Priest, and King, and that our salvation is absolutely secure in Him.

I. Observation Questions

A. Over the course of this week, read completely through the book of Mark with the overview outline in front of you. While reading, write down the major themes that stand out to you.

Major Theme from the Letter

Verse References

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B. What repeated ideas do see in Mark that help you understand the structure of his Gospel?

C. If you had to suggest the purpose for which Mark wrote his Gospel, what would it be?

II. Interpretation Questions

A. After reading Mark 1:1-13, how does he introduce the idea of Jesus being the promised Messiah?

B. What are all the different ways in which Jesus demonstrates His authority as the King of Kings?

C. In what ways is it evident that Jesus is the Promised Prophet? What things does He predict?

D. Read Isaiah 53:1-12. Where do you see the theme of Jesus being the Suffering Servant in Mark?

E. How do the confessions of Peter (8:27-30), Bartimaeus (10:46-52) and the centurion (15:39) help you understand who Jesus is? How do these confessions help you understand Mark's structure?

F. How is the resurrection (16:1-8) the greatest confirmation that Jesus is the promised Messiah?

III. Application Questions

A. How does Mark help you understand who Jesus is and what He came to accomplish?

B. How does Jesus being the Son of Man encourage you regarding the coming Kingdom of God?

C. How does Jesus' willingness to suffer as the Son of Man motivate you to serve others?