# A Guided Tour of the Bible: Discovering God in Mark

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#### **Background**

- John Mark was a resident of Jerusalem who followed Jesus and partnered in ministry with Paul, Barnabas, and Peter (Mk. 14:51-52) (Acts 12:12, 25; 13:13; 15:36-40) (Col. 4:10-11) (2 Tim. 4:11).
- Church history confirms Mark as the author of the gospel record that bears his name.
- Most believe it is the earliest gospel record and that Matthew and Luke used it as a primary source.
- Mark wrote his gospel from Rome to reach a Roman audience. It is the shortest and most action-packed gospel record.

## Roadmap

- 1. The Ruler Who \_\_\_\_\_ (1:1-8:26)
  - A. His Ministry (1-4)
  - B. His Miracles (5:1-8:26)
- 2. The Servant Who \_\_\_\_\_ (8:27-16:20)
  - A. He rules over His disciples (8:22-10:52)
  - B. He rules over death (11:1-16:20)

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#### Landmark

Mark's purpose is to introduce us to Jesus Christ, the Son of God (1:1). He presents Jesus as Sovereign, \_\_\_\_\_ and Savior (Mk. 10:45).

### Must See

Genealogies, long discourses, and numerous Old Testament allusions are noticeably absent from Mark. More than any other book, it focuses on Christ's miraculous power. This book proves to the practical reader who Christ is by what He does.

## Takeaway

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- 2. Become a \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. Receive His \_\_\_\_\_. . .