

## Exegetical Notes on Mark 9:30-37

The 1<sup>st</sup> of 3 passion predictions in Mark [8:31, 9:31, 10:33-34] had been given just before the account of the Transfiguration [9:2-7] afterwards, there had been the healing of the boy with the deaf-dumb spirit [9:14-29] which the disciples had not been able to cast out, these then are the events which serve as the context for our lesson. After our lesson, we hear the discussion of the man [not a disciple] who has casting out demons in Jesus name, and a discourse on the dangers of leading "children astray." One may well wonder whether Mark is saying something more, by sandwiching the 2<sup>nd</sup> passion prediction between the 2 demoniac incidents, perhaps alluding to the true nature of Jesus Passion, as the great casting out of demons.

9:30

Κάκειῖθεν ἐξελθόντες παρεπορεύοντο διὰ τῆς Γαλιλαίας, καὶ οὐκ ἤθελεν ἵνα τις γνοῖ·

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it;

Κάκειῖθεν - 10x in NT - (a contraction of καὶ ἐκεῖθεν) - extension from a source which is away from the speaker - a point of time subsequent to another point of time -

Mark 9:30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it;

Luke 11:53 As he went away from there, the scribes and the Pharisees began to press him hard, and to provoke him to speak of many things,

Acts 7:4 Then he departed from the land of the Chalde'ans, and lived in Haran. And after his father died, God removed him from there into this land in which you are now living;

Acts 13:21 Then they asked for a king; and God gave them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, for forty years.

Acts 14:26 and from there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work which they had fulfilled.

Acts 16:12 and from there to Philip'pi, which is the leading city of the district of Macedo'nia, and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days;

Acts 20:15 And sailing from there we came the following day opposite Chi'os; the next day we touched at Samos; and the day after that we came to Mile'tus.

Acts 21:1 And when we had parted from them and set sail, we came by a straight course to Cos, and the next day to Rhodes, and from there to Pat'ara.

Acts 27:4 And putting to sea from there we sailed under the lee of Cyprus, because the winds were against us.

Acts 28:15 And the brethren there, when they heard of us, came as far as the Forum of Ap'p'ius and Three Taverns to meet us. On seeing them Paul thanked God and took courage.

ἐξελθόντες - 39x in Mark -

1:25, 1:26, 1:28, 1:29, 1:35, 1:38, 1:45, 2:12, 2:13, 3:6, 3:21, 4:3, 5:2, 5:8, 5:13, 5:30, 6:1, 6:10, 6:12, 6:24, 6:34, 6:54, 7:29, 7:30, 7:31, 8:11, 8:27, 9:25, 9:26, 9:29, 9:30, 11:11, 11:12, 14:16, 14:26, 14:48, 14:68, 16:8, 16:20

aorist active participle, 15x in Mark -

1:29 And immediately he left the synagogue, and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

1:45 But he went out and began to talk freely about it, and to spread the news, so that Jesus could no longer openly enter a town, but was out in the country; and people came to him from every quarter.

3:6 The Pharisees went out, and immediately held counsel with the Hero'di-ans against him, how to destroy him.

5:2 And when he had come out of the boat, there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit,

5:13 So he gave them leave. And the unclean spirits came out, and entered the swine; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and were drowned in the sea.

5:30 And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone forth from him, immediately turned about in the crowd, and said, "Who touched my garments?"

6:12 So they went out and preached that men should repent.

6:24 And she went out, and said to her mother, "What shall I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the baptizer."

6:34 As he went ashore he saw a great throng, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

6:54 And when they got out of the boat, immediately the people recognized him,

7:31 Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, through the region of the Decap'olis.

9:30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it;  
11:12 On the following day, when they came from Bethany, he was hungry.  
16:8 And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to any one, for they were afraid.  
16:20 And they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it. Amen.

### παρεπορεύοντο - 4x in Mark - imperfect passive deponent indicative 1x -

2:23 One sabbath he was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain.  
9:30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it;  
11:20 As they passed by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered away to its roots.  
15:29 And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads, and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days,

### διὰ τῆς Γαλιλαίας - 1x in NT -

### Γαλιλαίας - 12X in Mark -

1:9 In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.  
1:14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God,  
1:16 And passing along by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net in the sea; for they were fishermen.  
1:28 And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.  
1:39 And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.  
3:7 Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the sea, and a great multitude from Galilee followed; also from Judea  
6:21 But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and the leading men of Galilee.  
7:31 Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, through the region of the Decap'olis.  
9:30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it;  
14:28 But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."  
15:41 who, when he was in Galilee, followed him, and ministered to him; and also many other women who came up with him to Jerusalem.  
16:7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you."

### οὐκ ἤθελεν - 2x in Mark -

6:26 And the king was exceedingly sorry; but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her.  
9:30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it;

### ἤθελεν - 25x in Mark -

1:40, 1:41, 3:13, 6:19, 6:22, 6:25, 6:26, 6:48, 7:24, 8:34, 8:35, 9:13, 9:30, 9:35, 10:35, 10:36, 10:43, 10:44, 10:51, 12:38, 14:7, 14:12, 14:36, 15:9, 15:12  
imperfect active indicative, 6x in Mark -  
3:13 And he went up on the mountain, and called to him those whom he desired; and they came to him.  
6:19 And Hero'di-as had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not,  
6:48 And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them,  
7:24 And from there he arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house, and would not have any one know it; yet he could not be hid.  
9:13 But I tell you that Eli'jah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written of him."  
9:30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it;

### ἵνα τις γνοι̂ - NT Hapax -

### ἵνα τις - 2x in Mark -

9:30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it;  
11:16 and he would not allow any one to carry anything through the temple.

### γνοι̂ - 12x in Mark - aorist active subjunctive, 2x\* -

4:13 And he said to them, "Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all the parables?"

5:29 And immediately the hemorrhage ceased; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.  
 \*5:43 And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.  
 6:38 And he said to them, "How many loaves have you? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish."  
 7:24 And from there he arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house, and would not have any one know it; yet he could not be hid.  
 8:17 And being aware of it, Jesus said to them, "Why do you discuss the fact that you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive or understand? Are your hearts hardened?  
 \*9:30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it;  
 12:12 And they tried to arrest him, but feared the multitude, for they perceived that he had told the parable against them; so they left him and went away.  
 13:28 "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near.  
 13:29 So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates.  
 15:10 For he perceived that it was out of envy that the chief priests had delivered him up.  
 15:45 And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph.

9:31

ἐδίδασκεν γὰρ τοὺς μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς ὅτι Ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδίδοται εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπων, καὶ ἀποκτενοῦσιν αὐτόν, καὶ ἀποκτανθεὶς μετὰ τρεῖς ἡμέρας ἀναστήσεται.

for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

There are 3 passion predictions in Mark, 8:31, 9:31, and 10:33. At 8:31 there is some emphasis on the necessity of the passion, while 10:33 serves as the schematic outline of the passion which follows, this one 9:31 shows that the events are already under way, or at least his deliverance into the hands of men.

Mark 8:31

Καὶ ἤρξατο διδάσκειν αὐτοὺς ὅτι δεῖ τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ ἀνθρώπου πολλὰ παθεῖν καὶ ἀποδοκιμασθῆναι ὑπὸ τῶν πρεσβυτέρων καὶ τῶν ἀρχιερέων καὶ τῶν γραμματέων καὶ ἀποκτανθῆναι καὶ μετὰ τρεῖς ἡμέρας ἀναστῆναι.

And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

Mark 10:33-34

ὅτι Ἴδου ἀναβαίνομεν εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα, καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδοθήσεται τοῖς ἀρχιερεῦσιν καὶ τοῖς γραμματεῦσιν, καὶ κατακρινοῦσιν αὐτόν θανάτῳ καὶ παραδώσουσιν αὐτόν τοῖς ἔθνεσιν 10:34 καὶ ἐμπαίξουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ ἐμπτύσουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ μαστιγώσουσιν αὐτόν καὶ ἀποκτενοῦσιν, καὶ μετὰ τρεῖς ἡμέρας ἀναστήσεται. saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; 10:34 and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise."

We are also wise to here echoes of Isaiah's Servant song:

Isaiah 53:6 πάντες ὡς πρόβατα ἐπλανήθημεν ἀνθρωπος τῆ ὁδῷ αὐτοῦ ἐπλανήθη καὶ κύριος παρέδωκεν αὐτόν ταῖς ἀμαρτίαις ἡμῶν All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Isaiah 53:12 διὰ τοῦτο αὐτὸς κληρονομήσει πολλοὺς καὶ τῶν ἰσχυρῶν μεριεῖ σκύλα ἀνθ' ὧν παρεδόθη εἰς θάνατον ἢ ψυχῇ αὐτοῦ καὶ ἐν τοῖς ἀνόμοις ἐλογίσθη καὶ αὐτὸς ἀμαρτίας πολλῶν ἀνήνεγκεν καὶ διὰ τὰς ἀμαρτίας αὐτῶν παρεδόθη Therefore I will divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out his soul to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

ἐδίδασκεν - 17x in Mark - imperfect active indicative, 6x \* -

\*1:21 And they went into Caper'na-um; and immediately on the sabbath he entered the synagogue and taught.

1:22 And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes.

\*2:13 He went out again beside the sea; and all the crowd gathered about him, and he taught them.

4:1 Again he began to teach beside the sea. And a very large crowd gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat in it on the sea; and the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land.

\*4:2 And he taught them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them:

6:2 And on the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue; and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get all this? What is the wisdom given to him? What mighty works are wrought by his hands!"  
 6:6 And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching.  
 6:30 The apostles returned to Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught.  
 6:34 As he went ashore he saw a great throng, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.  
 7:7 in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the precepts of men.'  
 8:31 And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.  
 \*9:31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."  
 \*10:1 And he left there and went to the region of Judea and beyond the Jordan, and crowds gathered to him again; and again, as his custom was, he taught them.  
 \*11:17 And he taught, and said to them, "Is it not written, My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers."  
 12:14 And they came and said to him, "Teacher, we know that you are true, and care for no man; for you do not regard the position of men, but truly teach the way of God. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?"  
 12:35 And as Jesus taught in the temple, he said, "How can the scribes say that the Christ is the son of David?"  
 14:49 Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled."

### τοὺς μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ - 32x in Mark -

2:15 And as he sat at table in his house, many tax collectors and sinners were sitting with Jesus and his disciples; for there were many who followed him.  
 2:16 And the scribes of the Pharisees, when they saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?"  
 2:23 One sabbath he was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain.  
 3:7 Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the sea, and a great multitude from Galilee followed; also from Judea  
 3:9 And he told his disciples to have a boat ready for him because of the crowd, lest they should crush him;  
 5:31 And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, Who touched me?"  
 6:1 He went away from there and came to his own country; and his disciples followed him.  
 6:29 When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.  
 6:35 And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the hour is now late;  
 6:41 And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all.  
 6:45 Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Beth-sa'ida, while he dismissed the crowd.  
 7:2 they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands defiled, that is, unwashed.  
 7:17 And when he had entered the house, and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable.  
 8:4 And his disciples answered him, "How can one feed these men with bread here in the desert?"  
 8:6 And he commanded the crowd to sit down on the ground; and he took the seven loaves, and having given thanks he broke them and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and they set them before the crowd.  
 8:10 And he sent them away; and immediately he got into the boat with his disciples, and went to the district of Dalmanu'tha.  
 8:27 And Jesus went on with his disciples, to the villages of Caesare'a Philip'pi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?"  
 8:27 And Jesus went on with his disciples, to the villages of Caesare'a Philip'pi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?"  
 8:33 But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter, and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not on the side of God, but of men."  
 8:34 And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.  
 9:28 And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?"  
 9:31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."  
 10:23 And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!"  
 10:46 And they came to Jericho; and as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great multitude, Bartimae'us, a blind beggar, the son of Timae'us, was sitting by the roadside.  
 11:1 And when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Beth'phage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples,  
 11:14 And he said to it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again." And his disciples heard it.

12:43 And he called his disciples to him, and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury.

13:1 And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!"

14:12 And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the passover?"

14:13 And he sent two of his disciples, and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him,

14:32 And they went to a place which was called Gethsem'ane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I pray."

16:7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you."

**μαθητὰς - 46x in Mark, of which 32x are in the phrase τοὺς μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ [see above]- these then are those which are not used in that phrase -**

2:18 Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting; and people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?"

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4:34 he did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

7:5 And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with hands defiled?"

8:1 In those days, when again a great crowd had gathered, and they had nothing to eat, he called his disciples to him, and said to them,

8:27 And Jesus went on with his disciples, to the villages of Caesare'a Philip'pi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?"

9:14 And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd about them, and scribes arguing with them.

9:18 and wherever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able."

10:10 And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter.

10:13 And they were bringing children to him, that he might touch them; and the disciples rebuked them.

10:24 And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!

14:14 and wherever he enters, say to the householder, The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I am to eat the passover with my disciples?"

14:16 And the disciples set out and went to the city, and found it as he had told them; and they prepared the passover.

**καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς - this exact grammatical phrase 9x in Mark -**

2:27 And he said to them, "The sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath;

4:2 And he taught them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them:

4:21 And he said to them, "Is a lamp brought in to be put under a bushel, or under a bed, and not on a stand?

4:24 And he said to them, "Take heed what you hear; the measure you give will be the measure you get, and still more will be given you.

6:10 And he said to them, "Where you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place.

7:9 And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God, in order to keep your tradition!

9:1 And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."

9:31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

11:17 And he taught, and said to them, "Is it not written, My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers."

**Ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου - 14x in Mark - translation of an Aramain idiom - Bar Nash - a circumlocution for the personal pronoun "I" - and generally in situations which contain an allusion to humiliation, danger and death, although it also is used for reasons of modesty.**

2:10 But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" -- he said to the paralytic --

2:28 so the Son of man is lord even of the sabbath."

3:28 "Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the sons of men, and whatever blasphemies they utter;



But the hand of Ahikam son of Shaphan was with Jeremiah so that he was not given over into the hands of the people to be put to death.

εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπων - 4x in NT, 4x in LXX -

Matt 17:22 As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men,

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for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

Luke 9:44 "Let these words sink into your ears; for the Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men."

Luke 24:7 that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise."

1Chr 21:13 καὶ εἶπεν Δαυὶδ πρὸς Γαδ στενά μοι καὶ τὰ τρία σφόδρα ἐμπεσοῦμαι δὴ εἰς χεῖρας κυρίου ὅτι πολλοὶ οἱ οἰκτιρμοὶ αὐτοῦ σφόδρα καὶ εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπων οὐ μὴ ἐμπέσω Then David said to Gad, "I am in great distress; let me fall into the hand of the LORD, for his mercy is very great; but let me not fall into the hand of man."

Isa 19:4 καὶ παραδώσω Αἴγυπτον εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπων κυρίων σκληρῶν καὶ βασιλεῖς σκληροὶ κυριεύσουσιν αὐτῶν τάδε λέγει κύριος σαβαωθ and I will give over the Egyptians into the hand of a hard master; and a fierce king will rule over them, says the Lord, the LORD of hosts.

Isa 29:12 καὶ δοθήσεται τὸ βιβλίον τοῦτο εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπου μὴ ἐπισταμένου γράμματα καὶ ἐρεῖ αὐτῷ ἀνάγνωθι τοῦτο καὶ ἐρεῖ οὐκ ἐπίσταμαι γράμματα And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read."

Sir 2:18 ἐμπεσοῦμεθα εἰς χεῖρας κυρίου καὶ οὐκ εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπων ὡς γὰρ ἡ μεγαλωσύνη αὐτοῦ οὕτως καὶ τὸ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ Let us fall into the hands of the Lord, but not into the hands of men; for as his majesty is, so also is his mercy.

ἀποκτενοῦσιν - 11x in Mark - future active indicative, 2x \* -

3:4 And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent.

6:19 And Hero'di-as had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not,

8:31 And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

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\*10:34 and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise."

12:5 And he sent another, and him they killed; and so with many others, some they beat and some they killed.

12:5 And he sent another, and him they killed; and so with many others, some they beat and some they killed.

12:7 But those tenants said to one another, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.'

12:8 And they took him and killed him, and cast him out of the vineyard.

14:1 It was now two days before the Passover and the feast of Unleavened Bread. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to arrest him by stealth, and kill him;

ἀποκτανθεῖς - 11x in Mark - aorist passive participle, 1x -

μετὰ τρεῖς ἡμέρας - 3x in Mark -

8:31 And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

9:31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

10:34 and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise."

τρεῖς ἡμέρας - 5x in Mark - 3x w/ μετὰ , see above -

14:58 "We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands."

15:29 And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads, and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days,

ἀναστήσεται - 17x in Mark - future middle indicative, 2x \* -

1:35 And in the morning, a great while before day, he rose and went out to a lonely place, and there he prayed.

2:14 And as he passed on, he saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax office, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

3:26 And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end.

5:42 And immediately the girl got up and walked (she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement.

7:24 And from there he arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house, and would not have any one know it; yet he could not be hid.

8:31 And he began to teach them that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

9:9 And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of man should have risen from the dead.

9:10 So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what the rising from the dead meant.

9:27 But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.

\*9:31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

10:1 And he left there and went to the region of Judea and beyond the Jordan, and crowds gathered to him again; and again, as his custom was, he taught them.

\*10:34 and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise."

12:23 In the resurrection whose wife will she be? For the seven had her as wife."

12:25 For when they rise from the dead, they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven.

14:57 And some stood up and bore false witness against him, saying,

14:60 And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?"

16:9 Now when he rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons.

9:32

οἱ δὲ ἠγνόουν τὸ ῥῆμα, καὶ ἐφοβοῦντο αὐτὸν ἐπερωτῆσαι.

But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to ask him.

οἱ δὲ - 91x in Mark -

1:30, 1:45, 2:18, 3:4, 5:33, 5:34, 5:36, 6:19, 6:24, 6:37, 6:38, 6:49, 6:50, 7:6, 7:6, 7:26, 7:28, 8:5, 8:28, 8:33, 9:12, 9:19, 9:21, 9:23, 9:27, 9:32, 9:34, 9:39, 10:3, 10:4, 10:5, 10:13, 10:18, 10:20, 10:21, 10:22, 10:24, 10:24, 10:26, 10:32, 10:36, 10:37, 10:38, 10:39, 10:39, 10:40, 10:48, 10:50, 10:51, 11:6, 11:29, 12:15, 12:16, 12:16, 12:17, 13:5, 13:13, 13:15, 13:31, 14:6, 14:11, 14:20, 14:29, 14:31, 14:38, 14:46, 14:52, 14:55, 14:61, 14:62, 14:63, 14:64, 14:68, 14:70, 14:71, 15:2, 15:4, 15:5, 15:9, 15:11, 15:12, 15:13, 15:14, 15:14, 15:15, 15:16, 15:37, 15:44, 15:47, 16:6, 16:16

ἠγνόουν τὸ ῥῆμα - 2x in NT -

Mark 9:32 But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to ask him.

Luke 9:45 But they did not understand this saying, and it was concealed from them, that they should not perceive it; and they were afraid to ask him about this saying.

ἠγνόουν - 22x in NT, 1x in Mark - Mark 9:32, Luke 9:45, Acts 13:27, Acts 17:23, Romans 1:13, Romans 2:4,

Romans 6:3, Romans 7:1, Romans 10:3, Romans 11:25, 1Cor 10:1, 1Cor 12:1, 1Cor 14:38, 1Cor 14:38, 2Cor 1:8, 2Cor 2:11, 2Cor 6:9, Gal 1:22, 1Thess 4:13, 1Tim 1:13, Heb 5:2, 2Peter 2:12

τὸ ῥῆμα - 2x in Mark, always with article -

9:32 But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to ask him.

14:72 And immediately the cock crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.

ἐφοβοῦντο - 12x in Mark - imperfect passive deponent indicative, 6x \* -

4:41 And they were filled with awe, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?"

5:15 And they came to Jesus, and saw the demoniac sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, the man who had had the legion; and they were afraid.

5:33 But the woman, knowing what had been done to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him, and told him the whole truth.

5:36 But ignoring what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe."

\*6:20 for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and kept him safe. When he heard him, he was much perplexed; and yet he heard him gladly.

6:50 for they all saw him, and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear."

\*9:32 But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to ask him.

\*10:32 And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; and they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him,

\*11:18 And the chief priests and the scribes heard it and sought a way to destroy him; for they feared him, because all the multitude was astonished at his teaching.

\*11:32 But shall we say, From men'?" -- they were afraid of the people, for all held that John was a real prophet.

12:12 And they tried to arrest him, but feared the multitude, for they perceived that he had told the parable against them; so they left him and went away.

\*16:8 And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to any one, for they were afraid.

ἐπερωτήσαι - 25x in Mark - aorist active infinitive, 2x \* -

5:9 And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion; for we are many."

7:5 And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with hands defiled?"

7:17 And when he had entered the house, and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable.

8:23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the village; and when he had spit on his eyes and laid his hands upon him, he asked him, "Do you see anything?"

8:27 And Jesus went on with his disciples, to the villages of Caesare'a Philip'pi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?"

8:29 And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ."

9:11 And they asked him, "Why do the scribes say that first Eli'jah must come?"

9:16 And he asked them, "What are you discussing with them?"

9:21 And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood.

9:28 And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?"

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9:33 And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?"

10:2 And Pharisees came up and in order to test him asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"

10:10 And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter.

10:17 And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

11:29 Jesus said to them, "I will ask you a question; answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things.

12:18 And Sad'ducees came to him, who say that there is no resurrection; and they asked him a question, saying,

12:28 And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?"

\*12:34 And when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And after that no one dared to ask him any question.

13:3 And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately,

14:60 And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?"

14:61 But he was silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?"

15:2 And Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" And he answered him, "You have said so."

15:4 And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you."

15:44 And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead.

9:33

Καὶ ἦλθον εἰς Καφαρναούμ. καὶ ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ γενόμενος ἐπηρώτα αὐτούς, Τί ἐν τῇ ὁδῷ διελογίζεσθε;

And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?"

Καφαρναούμ - 3x in Mark -

1:21 And they went into Caper'na-um; and immediately on the sabbath he entered the synagogue and taught.

2:1 And when he returned to Caper'na-um after some days, it was reported that he was at home.

9:33 And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the

way?"

### ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ - 4x in Mark -

2:15 And as he sat at table in his house, many tax collectors and sinners were sitting with Jesus and his disciples; for there were many who followed him.

6:4 And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house."

9:33 And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?"

14:3 And while he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at table, a woman came with an alabaster flask of ointment of pure nard, very costly, and she broke the flask and poured it over his head.

### οἰκίᾳ - 18x in Mark -

1:29 And immediately he left the synagogue, and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

2:15 And as he sat at table in his house, many tax collectors and sinners were sitting with Jesus and his disciples; for there were many who followed him.

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6:4 And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house."

6:10 And he said to them, "Where you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place.

7:24 And from there he arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house, and would not have any one know it; yet he could not be hid.

9:33 And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?"

10:10 And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter.

10:29 Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel,

10:30 who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.

12:40 who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

13:15 let him who is on the housetop not go down, nor enter his house, to take anything away;

13:34 It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch.

13:35 Watch therefore -- for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning --

14:3 And while he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at table, a woman came with an alabaster flask of ointment of pure nard, very costly, and she broke the flask and poured it over his head.

### γενόμενος - 55x in Mark, aorist middle deponent participle, 13x -

1:32 That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons.

4:17 and they have no root in themselves, but endure for a while; then, when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away.

4:35 On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side."

6:2 And on the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue; and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get all this? What is the wisdom given to him? What mighty works are wrought by his hands!

6:21 But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and the leading men of Galilee.

6:26 And the king was exceedingly sorry; but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her.

6:35 And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the hour is now late;

6:47 And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land.

9:33 And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?"

14:17 And when it was evening he came with the twelve.

15:33 And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.

15:42 And when evening had come, since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath,

16:10 She went and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept.

ἐπηρώτα - - 25x in Mark see 9.32 above - imperfect active indicative, 15x -

5:9 And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion; for we are many."

7:17 And when he had entered the house, and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable.

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15:4 And Pilate again asked him, "Have you no answer to make? See how many charges they bring against you."

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ἐν τῇ ὁδῶ - 6x in Mark -

8:3 and if I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way; and some of them have come a long way."

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9:33 And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?"

9:34 But they were silent; for on the way they had discussed with one another who was the greatest.

10:32 And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; and they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him,

10:52 And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

ὁδῶ - 16x in Mark -

1:2 As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way;

1:3 the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight -- "

2:23 One sabbath he was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain.

4:4 And as he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured it.

4:15 And these are the ones along the path, where the word is sown; when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word which is sown in them.

6:8 He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts;

8:3 and if I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way; and some of them have come a long way."

8:27 And Jesus went on with his disciples, to the villages of Caesare'a Philip'pi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?"

9:33 And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?"

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10:17 And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

10:32 And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; and they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him,

10:46 And they came to Jericho; and as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great multitude, Bartimae'us, a blind beggar, the son of Timae'us, was sitting by the roadside.

10:52 And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

11:8 And many spread their garments on the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields.

12:14 And they came and said to him, "Teacher, we know that you are true, and care for no man; for you do not regard the position of men, but truly teach the way of God. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?"

διελογίζεσθε - 7x in Mark - imperfect passive deponent indicative, 3x \* - *to think or reason with thoroughness and completeness - to engage in some relatively detailed discussion of a matter* -

2:6 Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts,

2:8 And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question thus in your hearts?"

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\*8:16 And they discussed it with one another, saying, "We have no bread."

8:17 And being aware of it, Jesus said to them, "Why do you discuss the fact that you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive or understand? Are your hearts hardened?"

\* 9:33 And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?"

\*11:31 And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say, 'Why then did you not believe him?'"

9:34

οἱ δὲ ἐσιώπων· πρὸς ἀλλήλους γὰρ διελέχθησαν ἐν τῇ ὁδῷ τίς μείζων.

But they were silent; for on the way they had discussed with one another who was the greatest.

οἱ δὲ - 91x in Mark - see 9.32 above

ἐσιώπων - 5x in Mark -

3:4 And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent.

4:39 And he awoke and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

9:34 But they were silent; for on the way they had discussed with one another who was the greatest.

10:48 And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

14:61 But he was silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?"

πρὸς ἀλλήλους - 4x in Mark -

4:41 And they were filled with awe, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?"

8:16 And they discussed it with one another, saying, "We have no bread."

9:34 But they were silent; for on the way they had discussed with one another who was the greatest.

15:31 So also the chief priests mocked him to one another with the scribes, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself."

διελέχθησαν - [in the previous verse the verb was *διαλογίζομαι* here it is *διαλέγομαι*] - *to argue about differences of opinion - to speak in a somewhat formal setting and probably implying a more formal use of language* - the difference between discussion and argument - 13x in NT, 1x in Mark -

Mark 9:34 But they were silent; for on the way they had discussed with one another who was the greatest.

Acts 17:2 And Paul went in, as was his custom, and for three weeks he argued with them from the scriptures,

Acts 17:17 So he argued in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the market place every day with those who chanced to be there.

Acts 18:4 And he argued in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded Jews and Greeks.

Acts 18:19 And they came to Ephesus, and he left them there; but he himself went into the synagogue and argued with the Jews.

Acts 19:8 And he entered the synagogue and for three months spoke boldly, arguing and pleading about the kingdom of God;

Acts 19:9 but when some were stubborn and disbelieved, speaking evil of the Way before the congregation, he withdrew from them, taking the disciples with him, and argued daily in the hall of Tyran'nus.

Acts 20:7 On the first day of the week, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul talked with them, intending to depart on the morrow; and he prolonged his speech until midnight.

Acts 20:9 And a young man named Eu'tychus was sitting in the window. He sank into a deep sleep as Paul talked still longer; and being overcome by sleep, he fell down from the third story and was taken up dead.

Acts 24:12 and they did not find me disputing with any one or stirring up a crowd, either in the temple or in the synagogues, or in the city.

Acts 24:25 And as he argued about justice and self-control and future judgment, Felix was alarmed and said, "Go away for the present; when I have an opportunity I will summon you."

Heb 12:5 And have you forgotten the exhortation which addresses you as sons? -- "My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor lose courage when you are punished by him.

Jude 1:9 But when the archangel Michael, contending with the devil, disputed about the body of Moses, he did not presume to pronounce a reviling judgment upon him, but said, "The Lord rebuke you."

ἐν τῇ ὁδῶ - 6x in Mark - see 9.33 above

τίς μείζων - exact form, NT Hapax, allowing for an intervening word nets 6x in NT -

Matt 18:1 At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

Matt 23:17 You blind fools! For which is greater, the gold or the temple that has made the gold sacred?

Matt 23:19 You blind men! For which is greater, the gift or the altar that makes the gift sacred?

Mark 9:34 But they were silent; for on the way they had discussed with one another who was the greatest.

Luke 22:27 For which is the greater, one who sits at table, or one who serves? Is it not the one who sits at table? But I am among you as one who serves.

Acts 8:9 But there was a man named Simon who had previously practiced magic in the city and amazed the nation of Samaria, saying that he himself was somebody great.

μείζων - 18x in Mark - comparative adjective 3x \* -

1:26 And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him.

\*4:32 yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

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4:37 And a great storm of wind arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already filling.

4:39 And he awoke and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

4:41 And they were filled with awe, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?"

5:7 and crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me."

5:11 Now a great herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside;

5:42 And immediately the girl got up and walked (she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement.

\*9:34 But they were silent; for on the way they had discussed with one another who was the greatest.

10:42 And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them.

10:43 But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant,

\*12:31 The second is this, You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

13:2 And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another, that will not be thrown down."

14:15 And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us."

15:34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "E'lo-i, E'lo-i, la'ma sabach-tha'ni?" which means, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

15:37 And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed his last.

16:4 And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; -- it was very large.

9:35

καὶ καθίσας ἐφώνησεν τοὺς δώδεκα καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς, Εἴ τις θέλει πρῶτος εἶναι, ἔσται πάντων ἕσχατος καὶ πάντων διάκονος.

And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."

καθίσας - 8x in Mark -

9:35 And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."

10:37 And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory."

10:40 but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

11:2 and said to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it.  
11:7 And they brought the colt to Jesus, and threw their garments on it; and he sat upon it.  
12:41 And he sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the multitude putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums.  
14:32 And they went to a place which was called Gethsem'ane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I pray."  
16:19 So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.

### ἐφώνησεν - 43x in NT, 10x in Mark -

1:26 And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him.  
9:35 And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."  
10:49 And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; rise, he is calling you."  
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10:49 And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; rise, he is calling you."  
14:30 And Jesus said to him, "Truly, I say to you, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times."  
14:68 But he denied it, saying, "I neither know nor understand what you mean." And he went out into the gateway.  
14:72 And immediately the cock crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.  
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15:35 And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Eli'jah."

### τοὺς δώδεκα - 36x in NT, 10x in Mark w/article -

3:16 Simon whom he surnamed Peter;  
4:10 And when he was alone, those who were about him with the twelve asked him concerning the parables.  
6:7 And he called to him the twelve, and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.  
9:35 And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."  
10:32 And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; and they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him,  
11:11 And he entered Jerusalem, and went into the temple; and when he had looked round at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.  
14:10 Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them.  
14:17 And when it was evening he came with the twelve.  
14:20 He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me.  
14:43 And immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders.

### 5x in Mark without article -

3:14 And he appointed twelve, to be with him, and to be sent out to preach  
5:25 And there was a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years,  
5:42 And immediately the girl got up and walked (she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement.  
6:43 And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish.  
8:19 When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up?" They said to him, "Twelve."

### λέγει αὐτοῖς - exact grammatical form, [present active indicative] 26x in Mark -

1:38, 2:8, 2:17, 2:25, 3:4, 4:13, 4:35, 5:39, 6:31, 6:38, 6:50, 7:18, 8:1, 8:17, 9:35, 10:11, 10:24, 10:42, 11:2, 11:22, 11:33, 12:16, 14:13, 14:27, 14:34, 14:41

### Εἶ τις - 6x in Mark -

4:23 If any man has ears to hear, let him hear."  
8:23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the village; and when he had spit on his eyes and laid his hands upon him, he asked him, "Do you see anything?"

8:34 And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.  
9:22 And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us."  
9:35 And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."  
11:25 And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against any one; so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses."

### θέλει πρώτος - NT Harax -

#### θέλει - 25x in Mark - present active indicative, 11x in Mark -

1:41 Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, "I will; be clean."  
6:25 And she came in immediately with haste to the king, and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter."  
8:34 And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.  
9:35 And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."  
10:35 And James and John, the sons of Zeb'edee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."  
10:36 And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?"  
10:51 And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Master, let me receive my sight."  
14:12 And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the passover?"  
14:36 And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible to thee; remove this cup from me; yet not what I will, but what thou wilt."  
15:9 And he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?"  
15:12 And Pilate again said to them, "Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?"  
1:40,1:41,3:13,6:19,6:22,6:25,6:26,6:48,7:24,8:34,8:35,9:13,9:30,9:35,10:35,10:36,10:43,10:44,10:51,12:38,14:7,14:12,14:36,15:9,15:12

#### πρώτος - 17x in Mark -

3:27 But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man; then indeed he may plunder his house.  
4:28 The earth produces of itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear.  
6:21 But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and the leading men of Galilee.  
7:27 And he said to her, "Let the children first be fed, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs."  
9:11 And they asked him, "Why do the scribes say that first Eli'jah must come?"  
9:12 And he said to them, "Eli'jah does come first to restore all things; and how is it written of the Son of man, that he should suffer many things and be treated with contempt?  
9:35 And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."  
10:31 But many that are first will be last, and the last first."  
10:31 But many that are first will be last, and the last first."  
10:44 and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.  
12:20 There were seven brothers; the first took a wife, and when he died left no children;  
12:28 And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?"  
12:29 Jesus answered, "The first is, Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one;  
13:10 And the gospel must first be preached to all nations.  
14:12 And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the passover?"  
16:9 Now when he rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons.  
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#### εἶναι - present active infinitive -

ἔσται - future middle deponent indicative -

πάντων - of 68x in Mark, 41 are pronominal adjectives -

1:37, 2:12, 2:12, 3:28, 4:11, 4:34, 5:5, 5:20, 5:26, 5:40, 6:30, 6:39, 6:41, 6:42, 6:50, 7:14, 7:37, 9:12, 9:23, 9:35, 9:35, 9:49, 10:27, 10:28, 10:44, 11:11, 11:24, 12:22, 12:28, 12:44, 12:44, 13:13, 13:23, 13:37, 14:23, 14:27, 14:29, 14:31, 14:36, 14:50, 14:64

πάντων ἔσχατος - NT Hapax -

ἔσχατος - 5x in mark -

9:35 And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."

10:31 But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

10:31 But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

12:6 He had still one other, a beloved son; finally he sent him to them, saying, They will respect my son.'

12:22 and the seven left no children. Last of all the woman also died.

πάντων διάκονος - NT Hapax -

διάκονος - 2x in Mark -

9:35 And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."

10:43 But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant,

9:36

καὶ λαβὼν παιδίον ἔστησεν αὐτὸ ἐν μέσῳ αὐτῶν καὶ ἐναγκαλισάμενος αὐτὸ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς,

And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them,

λαβὼν παιδίον - NT Hapax

λαβὼν - any form 20x in Mark - aorist active participle, 7x in Mark -

6:41 And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all.

8:6 And he commanded the crowd to sit down on the ground; and he took the seven loaves, and having given thanks he broke them and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and they set them before the crowd.

9:36 And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them,

12:3 And they took him and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed.

12:8 And they took him and killed him, and cast him out of the vineyard.

14:22 And as they were eating, he took bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body."

14:23 And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it.

παιδίον - 12x in Mark - see 9.37 below

ἔστησεν - 10x in Mark - aorist active indicative, 1x in Mark -

3:24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.

3:25 And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.

3:26 And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end.

7:9 And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God, in order to keep your tradition!

9:1 And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."

9:36 And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them,

10:49 And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; rise, he is calling you."

11:5 And those who stood there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?"

13:9 "But take heed to yourselves; for they will deliver you up to councils; and you will be beaten in synagogues; and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear testimony before them.

13:14 "But when you see the desolating sacrilege set up where it ought not to be (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains;

### ἐν μέσῳ - 2x in Mark -

6:47 And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land.

9:36 And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them,

### μέσῳ - 5x in Mark -

3:3 And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come here."

6:47 And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land.

7:31 Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, through the region of the Decap'olis.

9:36 And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them,

14:60 And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?"

### ἐναγκαλισάμενος - 2x in NT - *to put one's arms around someone as an expression of affection and concern* -

9:36 And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them,

10:16 And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands upon them.

### εἶπεν αὐτοῖς - exact grammatical form, 23 x in Mark - [aorist active indicative] -

1:17 And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you become fishers of men."

2:19 And Jesus said to them, "Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast.

4:40 He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?"

6:37 But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give it to them to eat?"

7:6 And he said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me;

8:34 And he called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

9:29 And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

9:36 And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them,

10:3 He answered them, "What did Moses command you?"

10:5 But Jesus said to them, "For your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment.

10:14 But when Jesus saw it he was indignant, and said to them, "Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God.

10:36 And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?"

10:38 But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?"

10:39 And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized;

11:29 Jesus said to them, "I will ask you a question; answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things.

12:15 Should we pay them, or should we not?" But knowing their hypocrisy, he said to them, "Why put me to the test? Bring me a coin, and let me look at it."

12:17 Jesus said to them, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." And they were amazed at him.

12:43 And he called his disciples to him, and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury.

14:16 And the disciples set out and went to the city, and found it as he had told them; and they prepared the passover.

14:20 He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me.

14:24 And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many.

14:48 And Jesus said to them, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me?"

16:15 And he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation.

9:37

Ὅς ἂν ἐν τῶν τοιούτων παιδίων δέξηται ἐπὶ τῷ ὀνόματί μου, ἐμὲ δέχεται· καὶ ὁς ἂν

ἐμὲ δέχεται, οὐκ ἐμὲ δέχεται ἀλλὰ τὸν ἀποστείλαντά με.

"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

Ὁς ἄν - 10x in Mark -

6:11 And if any place will not receive you and they refuse to hear you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet for a testimony against them."

9:37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

9:37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

9:42 "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung round his neck and he were thrown into the sea.

10:11 And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another, commits adultery against her;

10:15 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

10:43 But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant,

10:44 and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all.

11:23 Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him.

14:44 Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I shall kiss is the man; seize him and lead him away under guard."

τοιούτων παιδίων - NT Hapax -

τοιούτων - 6x in Mark -

4:33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it;

6:2 And on the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue; and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get all this? What is the wisdom given to him? What mighty works are wrought by his hands!

7:13 thus making void the word of God through your tradition which you hand on. And many such things you do."

9:37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

10:14 But when Jesus saw it he was indignant, and said to them, "Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God.

13:19 For in those days there will be such tribulation as has not been from the beginning of the creation which God created until now, and never will be.

παιδίων - 12x in Mark -

5:39 And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a tumult and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping."

5:40 And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was.

5:40 And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was.

5:41 Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Tal'itha cu'mi"; which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

7:28 But she answered him, "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs."

7:30 And she went home, and found the child lying in bed, and the demon gone.

9:24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe;

9:36 And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them,

9:37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

10:13 And they were bringing children to him, that he might touch them; and the disciples rebuked them.

10:14 But when Jesus saw it he was indignant, and said to them, "Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God.

10:15 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

δέξεται - aorist middle deponent subjunctive -

ἐπὶ τῷ ὀνόματί μου - 3x in Mark -

9:37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

9:39 But Jesus said, "Do not forbid him; for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon after to speak evil of me.

13:6 Many will come in my name, saying, I am he!' and they will lead many astray.

**δέχεται** - 6x in Mark - present passive deponent indicative, 2x in Mark, both this verse -

6:11 And if any place will not receive you and they refuse to hear you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet for a testimony against them."

9:37 [4x]"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

10:15 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

**δέχηται** - present passive deponent subjunctive -

**ἐμὲ** - 1<sup>st</sup> person singular, 107x in Mark -

1:2, 1:7, 1:7, 1:8, 1:11, 1:17, 1:40, 2:14, 3:33, 3:33, 3:34, 3:34, 3:35, 5:7, 5:7, 5:9, 5:23, 5:30, 5:31, 6:16, 6:22, 6:23, 6:23, 6:25, 6:50, 7:6, 7:6, 7:7, 7:11, 7:14, 8:2, 8:27, 8:29, 8:33, 8:34, 8:34, 8:35, 8:38, 9:7, 9:17, 9:19, 9:24, 9:25, 9:37, 9:37, 9:37, 9:37, 9:39, 9:39, 9:42, 10:14, 10:18, 10:20, 10:21, 10:29, 10:36, 10:38, 10:38, 10:39, 10:39, 10:40, 10:47, 10:48, 11:17, 11:29, 11:30, 11:33, 12:6, 12:15, 12:15, 12:26, 12:36, 12:36, 13:6, 13:6, 13:9, 13:13, 13:31, 14:6, 14:7, 14:8, 14:14, 14:14, 14:18, 14:18, 14:19, 14:20, 14:22, 14:24, 14:28, 14:29, 14:30, 14:31, 14:34, 14:36, 14:36, 14:42, 14:48, 14:49, 14:58, 14:62, 14:72, 15:34, 15:34, 15:34, 16:17

**δέχεται** - present passive deponent indicative, 2x in Mark, both this verse -

**ἄλλὰ** - 45x in Mark -

1:44, 1:45, 2:17, 2:17, 2:22, 3:26, 3:27, 3:29, 4:17, 4:22, 5:19, 5:26, 5:39, 6:9, 6:52, 7:5, 7:15, 7:19, 7:25, 8:33, 9:8, 9:13, 9:22, 9:37, 10:8, 10:27, 10:40, 10:43, 10:45, 11:23, 11:32, 12:14, 12:25, 12:27, 13:7, 13:11, 13:11, 13:20, 13:24, 14:28, 14:29, 14:36, 14:36, 14:49, 16:7

**ἀποστείλαντα** - 20x in Mark, aorist active participle 3x in Mark \* -

1:2 As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way;

3:14 And he appointed twelve, to be with him, and to be sent out to preach

3:31 And his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside they sent to him and called him.

4:29 But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

5:10 And he begged him eagerly not to send them out of the country.

6:7 And he called to him the twelve, and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.

\*6:17 For Herod had sent and seized John, and bound him in prison for the sake of Hero'di-as, his brother Philip's wife; because he had married her.

\*6:27 And immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard and gave orders to bring his head. He went and beheaded him in the prison,

8:26 And he sent him away to his home, saying, "Do not even enter the village."

\*9:37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

11:1 And when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Beth'phage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples,

11:3 If any one says to you, Why are you doing this?' say, The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately."

12:2 When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, to get from them some of the fruit of the vineyard.

12:3 And they took him and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed.

12:4 Again he sent to them another servant, and they wounded him in the head, and treated him shamefully.

12:5 And he sent another, and him they killed; and so with many others, some they beat and some they killed.

12:6 He had still one other, a beloved son; finally he sent him to them, saying, They will respect my son.'

12:13 And they sent to him some of the Pharisees and some of the Hero'di-ans, to entrap him in his talk.

13:27 And then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

14:13 And he sent two of his disciples, and said to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him,

## A Question of Honor and Shame

Honor and shame are pivotal values in both the Old and New Testaments, one which in some ways are foreign to us. Basically, one might properly say that the avoidance of shame and the acquiring of honor were as important to the 1<sup>st</sup> Century Mediterranean peoples as money, power, and fame are to us today.

Given this understanding, one must also note that when one attaches oneself to a teacher [becomes a disciple] you are attaching yourself and linking your honor, to the master whom you have chosen. So when Jesus tells his disciples about the shameful things which will be happening to him, their reaction is in part due to what this will do to the realization that this will adversely affect their honor (at least from a worldly perspective).

So along the way they had been discussing who was the greatest, or you might say, that they had been involved in idolatry of honor. So Jesus shames them (calls them to repentance) by placing a child before them as “the greatest.” He also teaches them that there is much honor in serving, for it is the one who serves who is the greatest, and so he gives explanation as to more of the underlying reasons behind his upcoming passion. He also remind them that the disciples job is to follow, not to question – for Jesus forthcoming passion and death are honorable in this way: Jesus is following the Father’s will for working out the salvation of all mankind, and so while the world may consider it shameful, God Almighty has the ability to grant honor which transcends earthly expectations and understandings.