

Synthetic Outline of Mark.

Mark wrote for the Romans (Gentiles) notice omission of references to the O.T. prophets, genealogical table etc; also explanation of Jewish words & customs (v.g. 5:41; 7:1-4, 34). Probably wrote for the Romans, the representatives of active power. Mark represents Jesus as the active servant of God. Note the brevity of his Gospel, & the fact that discourses are omitted rather than deeds. The word "straightway" or its equivalent, is used 40 times, as cf. 33 in the other Gospels.

Outline

- I Period of the Advent. 1:1-2:12
- 1 ch. 1:1-11 Testimony & Baptism of John
 - 2 " 1:12, 13 The wilderness victory.
 - 3 " 1:14-20 The call of the disciples
 - 4 " 1:21-2:12 Works of power.

II Period of His Ministry 2:13-8:26

1 chs. 2:13-3:35 The laws of the Kingdom

2 " 4:1-34 The Mystery of the Kingdom

3 " 4:35-5:43 The Credentials of the King.

4 " 6:1-8:26 Conflicts & withdrawals

III Period of His Claim before His Disciples. 8:27-10:45

1 Confession of Peter

2 Revelation of His death.
(Sanhedrim)

3 Confirmation of His Claim.

4 Revelation of His death.
(Betrayal)

5 Confirmation (Discourses)

6 Revelation of His death.
(Gentiles)

7 Confirmation (Discourses)

IV Period of His Claim before the Nation 11, 12

1 Entry into Jerusalem.

- 2 " Rejection by the leaders.
3 " Rejection of the leaders
4 " Plots of the leaders.
V Period of His sacrifice, 13:1-15:47
VI 13:17-37. His coming again.
2 14:1-72. His passion.
3 15:1-47. His sacrifice
VII. Period of His Triumph, 16:1-20
1. His resurrection