



- And he began again to teach by the sea side: and there was gathered unto him a great multitude, so that he entered into a ship, and sat in the sea; and the whole multitude was by the sea on the land.
- ² And he taught them many things by parables, and said unto them in his doctrine,

Mark 4:1-2

- 3 Hearken; Behold, there went out a sower to sow:
- 4 And it came to pass, as he sowed, some fell by the way side, and the fowls of the air came and devoured it up.
- And some fell on stony ground, where it had not much earth; and immediately it sprang up, because it had no depth of earth:

Mark 4:3-5

- 6 But when the sun was up, it was scorched; and because it had no root, it withered away.
- ⁷ And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit.
- 8 And other fell on good ground, and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred.

Mark 4:6-8

And he said unto them, He that hath ears to hear,let him hear.Mark 4:9

- 10 And when he was alone, they that were about him with the twelve asked of him the parable.
- 11 And he said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto them that are without, all these things are done in parables:

 Mark 4:10-11

- 12 That seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and their sins should be forgiven them.
- And he said unto them, Know ye not this parable? and how then will ye know all parables?

Mark 4:12-13

- 14 The sower soweth the word.
- And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts.

Mark 4:14-15

- 16 And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with gladness;
- 17 And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended.

Mark 4:16-17

- 18 And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word,
- 19 And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful.
- And these are they which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and receive it, and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred.

 Mark 4:18-20

- ²¹ And he said unto them, Is a candle brought to be put under a bushel, or under a bed? and not to be set on a candlestick?
- For there is nothing hid, which shall not be manifested; neither was any thing kept secret, but that it should come abroad.
- 23 If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.

Mark 4:21-23

- And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given.
- For he that hath, to him shall be given: and he that hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he hath.

Mark 4:24-25

- ²⁶ And he said, So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground;
- And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how.
- For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear.

Mark 4:26-28

- ²⁹ But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come.
- And he said, Whereunto shall we liken the kingdom of God? or with what comparison shall we compare it?

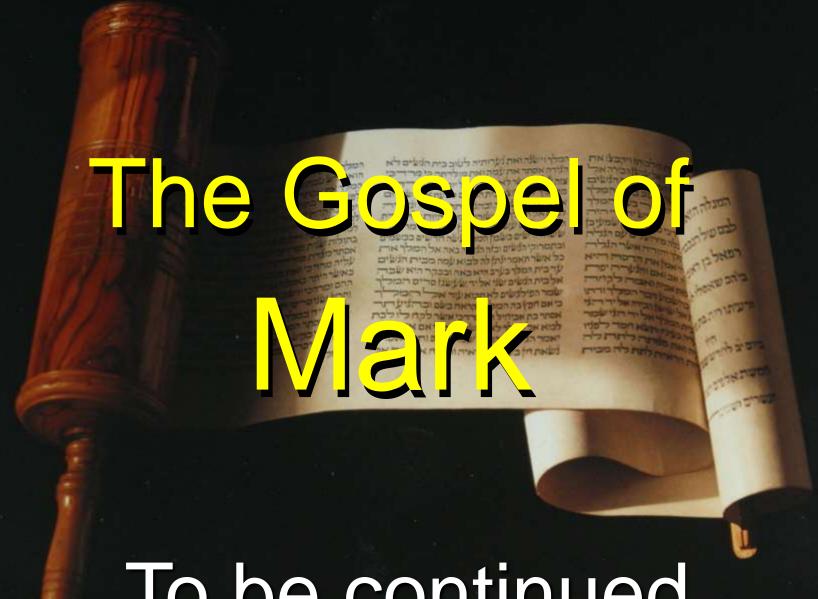
 Mark 4:29-30

- It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when it is sown in the earth, is less than all the seeds that be in the earth:
- 32 But when it is sown, it groweth up, and becometh greater than all herbs, and shooteth out great branches; so that the fowls of the air may lodge under the shadow of it.

Mark 4:31-32

- And with many such parables spake he the word unto them, as they were able to hear it.
- 34 But without a parable spake he not unto them: and when they were alone, he expounded all things to his disciples.

 Mark 4:33-34



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