a moment to prepare to hear God's Word ...

THE INTENT OF THE CROSS IN MARK

WORLD VIEW OF JESUS

- Feed the hungry, help the weak
- Love thy neighbor kinda guy
- An example of a good life
- A 'what would Jesus do' example
- Great teacher, like Muhammad, Buddha, Moses
- Myth
- Lunatic
- Liar



THE ANNOUNCED PURPOSE

Mark 1:1-3
Mark 1:9-11
Mark 1:14-15
Mark 6:12

THE IMPLIED MISSION

> Mark 2:18-20

EXPLICITLY STATED MISSION

MARK 8:30-32A
MARK 9:9
MARK 9:30-32
MARK 10:32-34
MARK 10:45



OBSERVATIONS

His intent	Clear
His Foreknowledge	Consistent
The Consequences	Definite
His Manner	Steadfast
His Control	Firm & Calm
His Confidence	Unshakable
His Commitment	Enduring

"For if while we were <u>enemies</u> we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life." (Romans 5:10 NAS95S)

THE TIME ARRIVES

THAT WEEK

Sunday (Entry of the Messiah)	Mark 11:1-11
Monday (cleansing of the Temple)	Mark 11:15-18
Tuesday (confronting religion)	Mark 12:17 Mark 12:24-27 Mark 12:35-37 Mark 13:1-3ff

THAT WEEK

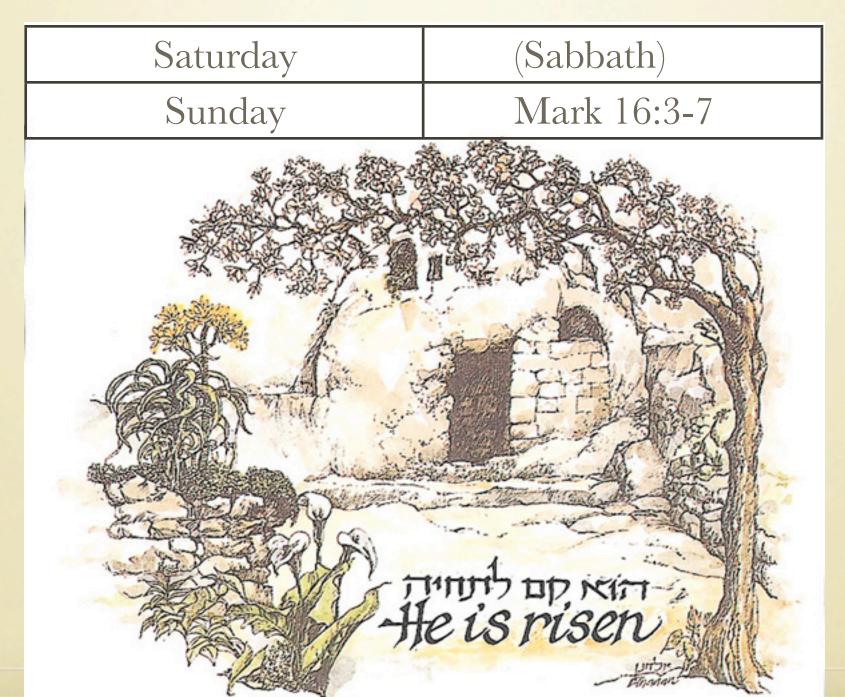
Wednesday (teaching on Mt of Olives)	Mark 13:6,9-10,23 Mark 13:26,31 Mark 14:3-9
Thursday (last supper)	 Mark 14:17-21 Mark 14:22-25 Mark 14:26-28 Mark 14:36,38,41

THAT DAY

Friday (the Sabbath preparation day)

- Mark 14:55,62
- Mark 15:2,5,19
- Mark 15:23,26
- Mark 15:34-35,37

AFTER THAT DAY



PAUL'S WITNESS

First Importance	Christ died for our sins
Proof	Buried
Effectiveness	He was raised on 3rd day
Proof	He appeared to Peter, to the Twelve, to 500 other believers, to James, to all the apostles, and <u>last</u> to Paul

GOD'S GUARANTEE

1Cor 15:20	He is the Firstfruits	First of Harvest which portends or guarantees the following sequence of the rich full harvest
1Cor 15:21a	By First Man	Death came
1Cor 15:21b-26	By Last Man	Death was conquered and vanquished
1Cor 15:47b-50	His Imperishable Resurrection Body	Foreshadows our future imperishable resurrection bodies

HIS FUTURE OUR FUTURE

John 14:2-3
2Cor 5:6-8
1Th 4:13-18
Rev 4:3-4;9-11
*Rev 21-22



Lord, Come Soon!



To Our Sister in the Lord

The love of your life, the Lord Jesus Christ, is patiently and expectantly awaiting your arrival. Your arrival will be greatly celebrated. ("Precious in the sight of the LORD") You are one of the special ones whom He loves and willingly died for on the Cross.

He has given you this golden time to communicate your most valuable thoughts to those you love the most. How wonderful.

Someday, that glorious eternal future begins. Never feel pain again, no failing body, no old sin nature. How freeing! How fantastic!

How wonderful to soon meet all those believers, of your family, of old friends, and of new friends who are with the Lord, right now.

Just as the Lord never left you for one moment in this life, nor will He ever leave you a second, ever, eternally.

God has prepared a place for us to be together with Him forever, in His Light, all of us who trust in His Cross alone. His resurrection is the first-fruits of our future guaranteed resurrection.

Absent from this physical body, instantaneously face to face with the Lord, a blink of the eye toward that perfect imperishable body.

Enjoy these gifts of God's Word, read and sung, to lift your days and fill your heart and mind of the joy ahead.

We love you, and will temporarily miss you, until we, also, re-join you soon. Maranatha.

In Christ alone,

Mick & Bonnie

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