

READING THE GOSPEL OF MARK

JESUS IS COMPLETING/FULFILLING/ECLIPSING THE OLD COVENANT		TURNING POINTS		JESUS IS ESTABLISHING THE NEW COVENANT								
PROLOGUE: 1.2-20 As in 'Isaiah' (Mal.), John the Baptist... A 1.2-8							Jesus comes from Nazareth and is baptized B 1.9-13		John is imprisoned: Jesus, in Galilee, calls disciples B' 1.14-20			
SERIES A (1.21-5.43) JESUS' FIRST DAYS OF MISSION, CONFINED TO GALILEE AND THE REGION OF ITS SEA												
Day 1 CAPERNAUM & SYNAGOGUE: JESUS ASTOUNDS WITH HIS TEACHING AND EXORCISM HE RAISES A WOMAN; IN THE EVENING HE HEALS MANY; AT NIGHT HE LEAVES, TO PRAY A 1.21-38		Day 2 PREACHING IN THE SYNAGOGUES OF GALILEE, A LEPER COMES TO HIM AFTER HIS HEALING, JESUS TELLS HIM TO TELL NO ONE BUT THE PRIEST, BUT... B 1.39-45		Day 3 BACK IN CAPERNAUM, JESUS FORGIVES A PARALYTIC HIS SINS: SCRIBES QUESTION HIM. BY THE SEA, HE CALLS LEVI, EATS WITH TAX COLLECTORS AND SINNERS, IS QUESTIONED B' 2.1-22		Day 4 SABBATH, IN THE FIELDS: PHARISEES CHALLENGE JESUS AND DISCIPLES IN THE SYNAGOGUE THEY WATCH TO SEE IF HE WILL HEAL: THEY PLOT TO KILL HIM X 2.23-3.6		Day 5 A GREAT CROWD GATHERS: HE APPOINTS 'THE TWELVE'. HE TEACHES IN PARABLES. BY THE SEA, HE CONTINUES TEACHING; IN THE EVENING HE STILL A GREAT STORM. A 3.7-4.41		Day 6 A GERASENE DEMONIAK, 'LEGION', APPROACHES HIM: HE CALLS THE SPIRITS OUT THEY ENTER PIGS; PEOPLE COME AND ASK HIM TO LEAVE; NEWS SPREADS. B 5.1-20		Day 7 JAIRUS' DAUGHTER IS DYING A 'DAUGHTER' IS HEALED FROM BLEEDING 12 YEARS THE CHILD (12) IS RAISED B' 5.21-43
SERIES B (6.1-8.26) DAYS OF INCREASE IN THE MISSION OF JESUS												
Day 8 JESUS IN HIS OWN COUNTRY SENDS OUT DISCIPLES; HEROD HEARS. 'WHO IS HE?' HE'S JOHN THE BAPTIST, ELIJAH, A PROPHET? (JOHN'S DEATH IS RE-TOLD) A 6.1-29		Day 9 DISCIPLES RETURN TO JESUS, SO TOO OTHERS. JESUS FEEDS 5,000. SENDING THE DISCIPLES TO BETHSAIDA BY BOAT, HE WALKS ON THE WATER. B 6.30-52		Day 10 IN GENNESARET, HE HEALS. PHARISEES CHALLENGE HIM OVER HIS DISCIPLES EATING WITH UNCLEAN HANDS. HE SPEAKS TO THE CROWD ABOUT THEM. B' 6.53-7.23		Day 11 'And from there, rising up, he went away into the region of Tyre...' A SYROPHOENICIAN WOMAN ASKS JESUS FOR HER CHILD'S HEALING (THEY SPEAK OF BREAD, DOGS & SCRAPS) X 7.24-30		Day 12 BY THE SEA OF GALILEE, IN THE DECAPOLIS, JESUS HEALS A DUMB MAN. AGAIN JESUS ORDERS A MAN TO SAY NOTHING; PROPHECY IS FULFILLED A 7.31-37		Day 13 JESUS FEEDS 4,000. PHARISEES ASK FOR A SIGN. JESUS SPEAKS ABOUT THE LEAVEN OF THE PHARISEES. IN THE BOAT THEY HAVE BUT ONE LOAF... B 8.1-21		Day 14 IN BETHSAIDA, A BLIND MAN IS TAKEN TO JESUS. OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE, HE IS HEALED - IN TWO STAGES. JESUS TELLS HIM, 'DO NOT ENTER THE VILLAGE.' B' 8.22-26
SERIES B' (8.27-10.52) THE DAYS OF JESUS' JOURNEYING TO THE CROSS AND GLORY												
Day 15 AT CAESAREA PHILIPPI: 'WHO IS HE?' JOHN THE BAPTIST, ELIJAH, A PROPHET? HE IS 'THE CHRIST'. HE IS TO SUFFER, DIE, RISE. THEY TOO HAVE TO TAKE UP THE CROSS A 8.27-9.1		Day 16 ON MOUNTAIN, JESUS IS TRANSFIGURED BEFORE PETER, JAMES & JOHN. THEY SEE MOSES AND ELIJAH. HEARING GOD'S VOICE THEY FEAR... B 9.2-29		Day 17 THROUGH GALILEE, TEACHING HIS DISCIPLES ABOUT HIS SUFFERING AND DEATH, THEY DISCUSS WHO'S THE GREATEST. JESUS SPEAKS TO THEM, WITH A CHILD THERE B' 9.30-50		Day 18 'And from there, rising up, he comes into the region of Judea...' CROWDS AGAIN GATHER. PHARISEES QUESTION HIM ABOUT DIVORCE & THE LAW. HE BLESSES CHILDREN X 10.1-16		Day 19 A RICH MAN ASKS, 'GOOD TEACHER, WHAT MUST I DO TO INHERIT ETERNAL LIFE?' HE WALKS AWAY, SAD. JESUS & THE DISCIPLES ADDRESS THE ISSUES. A 10.17-31		Day 20 JESUS GOES AHEAD, TO JERUSALEM, TELLING HIS DISCIPLES AGAIN OF HIS DEATH AND RISING. TWO OF THEM ASK TO SIT WITH JESUS IN HIS GLORY... B 10.32-45		Day 21 JERICHO IS REACHED. AS THEY LEAVE, BLIND BARTIMAEUS CALLS OUT, 'SON OF DAVID'. JESUS HEALS HIM: HE FOLLOWS 'ON THE WAY'. B' 10.46-52
SERIES A' (11.1-16.8) JESUS' PASSION AND RESURRECTION: THE JERUSALEM DAYS												
Day 22 TO JERUSALEM: TWO DISCIPLES ARE SENT TO GET A DONKEY JESUS ENTERS ON IT; HE GOES TO THE TEMPLE (Mal. 3 & Zech. 9.9 are fulfilled) A 11.1-11		Day 23 A FIG TREE IS CURSED. JESUS CLEARS THE TEMPLE OF THE OLD SACRIFICIAL MEANS OF BEING MADE RIGHT WITH GOD THEY AIM TO DESTROY HIM B 11.12-19		Day 24 THE FIG TREE IS WITHERED. IN THE TEMPLE, JESUS TEACHES IN PARABLES... JESUS TEACHES OUTSIDE THE TEMPLE ABOUT THE END AND WARNS THEM TO BE READY... B' 11.20-13.37		Day 25 PASSOVER IS 'IN TWO DAYS': THERE'S A PLOT TO KILL JESUS JESUS IS ANOINTED - 'FOR BURIAL' JUDAS JOINS IN THE PLOT X 14.1-11		Day 26 TWO ARE SENT TO PREPARE ROOM; AT SUPPER (cf. Zech. 9.11), BETRAYER THERE IN GETHSEMANE, JESUS PRAYS THREE TIMES; JUDAS ARRIVES JESUS' ARREST; HIS TRIAL; PETER DENIES THREE TIMES A 14.12-72		Day 27 JESUS IS LED TO PILATE. BARABBAS IS RELEASED. JESUS IS CONDEMNED. JESUS ON THE CROSS, AS 'KING'. (His is the new sacrifice, through which all can be made right with God.) 'SON OF GOD'. B 15.1-47		Day 28 AFTER THE SABBATH, WOMEN TAKE SPICES TO THE TOMB. AT DAWN, WOMEN GO THE TOMB. A YOUNG MAN SAYS, 'HE IS RISEN'. THE WOMEN FLEE FROM THE TOMB & SAY NOTHING. B' 16.1-8
EPILOGUE: 16.9ff. Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene... A 16.9-11		Jesus appears to two walking in the country... B 16.12-13		Jesus appears to the eleven, commissions them and ascends... B' 16.14-16,19,20a								

1.1 The Title: 'Beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ'