

When waiting, any news—that's not the worst news—is good news.

Hope deferred makes the heart sick. Proverbs 13:12a (NIV)

To lose <u>hope</u> is to lose <u>heart</u>.

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Mark 1:1 (ESV)

SERIES BIG IDEA:

Believing that Jesus the Messiah is the Son of God and King of all is the beginning of new life in Him.

Jesus is the linchpin to God restoring what sin has broken.

²As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way, ³the voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'"

⁴John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. Mark 1:2-6 (ESV)

John the Baptist baptized others to foreshadow the powerful reality of what was coming.

⁷And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Mark 1:7-8 (ESV)

God is preparing a <u>new beginning</u> in Jesus through the work of the Holy Spirit.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Mark 1:9 (ESV)

Jesus' baptism was Jesus' act of obedience to God's plan to become the lamb of God to take away the sins of the world.

¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. Mark 1:10 (ESV)

The same Spirit that hovered over the waters at creation now rests on Jesus.

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. Genesis 1:1-2 (ESV)

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was with God in the beginning. ³Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. John 1:1-4 (NIV)

A new <u>creation</u> is made through Jesus. A new <u>beginning</u> is found only in Him.



¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Mark 1:11 (ESV)

God's announcement are clues to Jesus' power as <u>King</u>, Jesus' position as <u>equal</u> with God, and Jesus' purpose to fulfill God's mission.

¹²The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him. Mark 1:12-13 (ESV)

Mark gives us a snapshot of Jesus' identity and His mission to fulfill divine prophecy, defeat Satan, and reverse the curse of sin.

The Gospel is that Jesus is the completion of God's saving work throughout history.

TEACHING BIG IDEA:

I have <u>hope</u> in a new beginning because Jesus completed God's saving work.

Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a longing fulfilled is a tree of life. Proverbs 13:12 (NIV)

LISTENING PLAN:

Feb 22 (Mon): Matthew 10-11 Feb 26 (Fri): Matthew 20-21 Feb 23 (Tue): Matthew 12-13 Feb 27 (Sat): Matthew 22-23
 Feb 24 (Wed): Matthew 14-16
 Feb 25 (Thu): Matthew 17-19

 Feb 28 (Sun): Mark 4-6
 Feb 25 (Thu): Mark 4-6



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- westsideleavenworth.com/onekc
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TALK IT OVER:

Watch with someone and answer these five questions together.

- What stood out to you from today's viewing?
- How would you summarize these chapters in a sentence or two?
- What did you learn about Jesus in these chapters?
- What did you learn about people/humanity in these chapters?
- What is God asking you to do, be, embrace, change and/or believe from these chapters?