

### 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.

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

<sup>4</sup>John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And 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. <sup>6</sup>Now 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.

<sup>7</sup>And 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. <sup>8</sup>I 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.

<sup>9</sup>In 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.

<sup>10</sup>And 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.

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The 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)

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup>Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup>In 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.



<sup>11</sup>And 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.

<sup>12</sup>The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup>And 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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# **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?