

# The Gospel of the King

## The Kingdom Gospel

Problem: A small percentage of people who “\_\_\_\_\_” for Jesus actually \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.

Solution: Understand that Jesus’ call to \_\_\_\_\_ is a call to \_\_\_\_\_.

Main point of today’s message:

### THE KINGDOM GOSPEL (Mark 1:14-15 ESV)

<sup>14</sup> Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup> and saying, “**The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.**”

The most important question for us today is:

Jesus gives us a simple answer:

Gospel elements from **Mark 1:14-20**:

- God’s \_\_\_\_\_ is Here (Mark 1:15)
- \_\_\_\_\_ from sin (Mark 1:15)
- \_\_\_\_\_ the gospel (Mark 1:15)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus (Mark 1:17)

Gospel elements from **Mark 8:27-31**:

- Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark 8:29)
- Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark 8:31)
- Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark 8:31)

What is the gospel? (This definition is adapted from The Discipleship Gospel, by Bill Hull and Ben Sobels)

“The **Kingdom of God** has come through Jesus. He is **Christ**, the King, God’s only Son. He lived a perfect life, **died** on the cross for our sins, was buried, and was **resurrected** on the third day according to the Scriptures. God, our loving and graceful Father, saves everyone who repents from their sin, believes the gospel, and follows Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit. When King Jesus returns on the last day, the Great Day of Judgment, everyone who trusted in Him will enter the eternal Kingdom of God.” (See Mark 1:14-17; 8:27-31; 1 Cor. 15:1-5; John 3:16; Eph. 2:8-10; Matt. 25:31-46)

Gospel clarity is an antidote to the rampant gospel \_\_\_\_\_ and false \_\_\_\_\_ of our day.

### DISCIPLESHIP (Mark 1:16-20 ESV)

<sup>16</sup> Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup> And Jesus said to them, “**Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.**” <sup>18</sup> And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup> And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup> And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

A **disciple** is someone who is following Jesus (“Follow Me”), being changed by Jesus (“I will make you”), and is committed to the mission of Jesus (“fishers of men”).

Jesus’ call to salvation is a call to discipleship. As we follow Jesus, we demonstrate the reality of our \_\_\_\_\_.

When Jesus asked Simon and Andrew and James and John to follow him, that was a \_\_\_\_\_ request. They had to count the cost of following Jesus. That first call to the disciples was an illustration of the comprehensive call Jesus gives to all who would enter His **kingdom**.

Jesus summoned the disciples to an all consuming \_\_\_\_\_ from the very start. Instead of casting nets for fish, they would be prepared by Jesus Himself to become heralds of God’s kingdom gospel. Disciples make \_\_\_\_\_.