

Calvary Chapel Cajon

Women's Bible Studies

Mark 10

Lesson 9

Mark 10 is a chapter of interactions – interactions with Jesus. In this chapter, we get to peek into conversations that revealed Jesus' viewpoint about divorce, children, riches, servanthood, and faith. May you see the heart of our God and yield your life to how He sees these crucial areas.

DAY ONE: Read Mark 10

1. Read through this week's verses using both your Observation Worksheets and another Bible translation or paraphrase. After reading through these verses, what would you say to someone if they asked you what they were about?
2. How would you title this chapter? Record your title on the **Chapter Titles Chart**.
3. At the right-hand side of the same chart are columns labeled **Key Word** and **Symbols**. They have been provided for you to record the key words and the symbol you have chosen to represent each one. Record the key words listed below and their symbols on the chart.
God, Jesus, immediately, kingdom of God, gospel, faith, any references to religious rulers
Now, using the symbols you have chosen, mark each of the key words each time they are used in Mark 10. Remember, as you mark the key words *Jesus* and *God*, to mark any personal pronouns that refer to Them.
4. Scan the many references to Jesus in this chapter. List five things revealed about Him.
5. The contrasting word *but* is used seventeen times in Mark 10. Choose one of those times and record what is being contrasted and the significance of the contrast.

DAY TWO: Read Mark 10:1-16

1. Mark 10 begins with the multitudes *gathering again* to Jesus and the Pharisees again *testing* Him. What question did the Pharisees ask Jesus? verse 2
 - a. Jesus answered by referring back to Moses' command (Deuteronomy 24:1). What was their answer? verse 4
 - 1.) Given the Pharisees' tendency to twist Scripture to suit themselves, using Mark 10:5-9, summarize what Jesus told them about God's intention for marriage *from the beginning of creation*.
 - 2.) Look again at why Moses *permitted* divorce in verse 5. What was the reason?
 - a.) In what ways can *hardness of heart* cause someone to desire something other than God's will?
 - b.) How does this speak to you about the difference between what God *permits* and what God *wills*?
2. The disciples later asked Jesus about His statement about divorce. What did He say that validates that, although Moses permitted divorce, divorce is against God's will?
3. Mark 10:13-16 records the account of the people who *brought little children to Him* (Jesus). The disciples *rebuked those who brought them*. What did Jesus say?
 - a. What do you think it means to *receive the kingdom of God as a little child*?
 - 1.) What are some examples of "adult" thinking that can hinder us from coming to Jesus?

DAY THREE: Read Mark 10:17-31

1. *Good Teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?* Mark 10:17 Jesus' first response to the rich young man was *Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God.* Then Jesus quoted the commandments that related to man's relationship with man. What did the young man say to Jesus? verse 20
 - a. *Then Jesus looking at him, loved him, and said to him....* What did Jesus say?
 - 1.) What was the young man's response?
2. How might our attitude toward riches indicate our heart obedience to the commandments?
3. How can we prevent our attitudes towards material goods from interfering with our relationship with God?
 - a. According to 1 Timothy 6:10, what can cause us to *stray from the faith*?
4. *The disciples were astonished at His words.* What did Jesus say to them about those who *trust in riches*? Mark 10:24,25
5. Again, we find the disciples *astonished* (verse 26). What question did they then ask Jesus?
 - a. Record Jesus' answer from verse 27.
 - 1.) According to Hebrews 7:25, what is God able to do?
 - a.) Describe how we are to *come to God* to be saved. Challenge: Use Scripture to support your answer.

6. Summarize the interaction between Peter and Jesus in Mark 10:28-31.

a. What does it mean to you to know God sees and rewards what you do *for His sake*?

DAY FOUR: Read Mark 10:32-45

1. *Going up to Jerusalem*, Jesus took the twelve aside. What did He tell them? verses 33,34

a. In the first two announcements (Mark 8:31; 9:31), Jesus had told them what would occur; but now He told them where His suffering would take place—in the Holy City of Jerusalem! The time was drawing near. Yet, the disciples seemed to have other concerns. What did James and John want Jesus to *do for them*? verse 37

2. Read the interaction between Jesus and the disciples in Mark 10:38-45 and answer the following questions:

a. What did Jesus ask the disciples if they were *able to do*? verse 38

1.) Jesus indicated that they surely would suffer. Yet, what did He say *was not His to give*?
verse 40

a.) Although it has not *been given to Jesus to grant* who will *sit on His right and on His left* in heaven, what has been *given to Him* according to John 17:2?

b.) Reflect on John 17:24. What does it mean to you, as a believer, that although you don't know where you will *sit* in heaven, that you will be *sitting* somewhere in heaven forever with Jesus?

3. What lesson can we learn about *desires to be great* from Jesus' statement in Mark 10:42-45?

a. Jesus, the Son of God, left us a perfect example of humility and service to others. What can we learn from Him?

DAY FIVE: Read Mark 10:46-52

1. Jesus' next interaction was with a blind man who *sat by the road begging*. When *Bartimaeus*, heard that it was *Jesus of Nazareth*, what did he *cry out and say*?

a. According to verse 48, what did *many* do?

b. What did Jesus do?

1.) Some in the crowd *called the blind man, saying to him, "Be of good cheer. Rise, He is calling you"*. Consider the words, *rise, He is calling you*. Look up the following verses and record what they teach us about God's *calling you*.

Romans 8:28

Romans 11:29

1 Corinthians 1:9

Galatians 5:13

Ephesians 1:18

1 Thessalonians 2:12

2 Thessalonians 2:14

a.) How should knowing these truths cause the believer to *rise up*?

2. What did Jesus say to Bartimaeus, when he said *Rabboni, that I may receive my sight*? Mark 10:51-52

a. Glance back through this passage. What did Bartimaeus say and do that indicated his *faith*?

1.) What did you learn from his example?

DAY SIX: Review Mark 10

1. Consider each interaction recorded in Mark 10. What did you learn or what spoke to you about Jesus' interaction with:

The Pharisees and the topic of divorce

The disciples and the topic of children and the kingdom of God

The rich young man and the topic of riches

The disciples and the topic of servanthood

The blind man and the topics of faith and God's calling/healing

2. Viewing Jesus from the accounts in Mark 10, how would you describe Him?

... Rise, He is calling you.
- Mark 10:49

Chapter Ten

¹Then He arose from there and came to the region of Judea by the other side of the Jordan. And multitudes gathered to Him again, and as He was accustomed, He taught them again.

²The Pharisees came and asked Him, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" testing Him.

³And He answered and said to them, *"What did Moses command you?"* ⁴They said, "Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce, and to dismiss her." ⁵And Jesus answered and said to them, *"Because of the hardness of your heart he wrote you this precept. ⁶But from the beginning of the creation, God 'made them male and female.'* ⁷*For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh'; so then they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate."* ¹⁰In the house His disciples also asked Him again about the same matter. ¹¹So He said to them, *"Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her. ¹²And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."* ¹³Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, *"Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. ¹⁵Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it."*

¹⁶And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them. ¹⁷Now as He was going out on the road, one came running, knelt before Him, and asked Him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸So Jesus said to him, *"Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Do not defraud,' 'Honor your father and your mother.'" ²⁰And he answered and said to Him, "Teacher, all these things I have kept from my youth." ²¹Then Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, *"One thing you lack: Go your way, sell whatever you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross, and follow Me."* ²²But he was sad at this word, and went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. ²³Then Jesus looked around and said to His disciples, *"How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!"* ²⁴And the disciples were astonished at His words. But Jesus answered again and said to them, *"Children, how hard it is for those who trust in riches to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."* ²⁶And they were greatly astonished, saying among themselves, "Who then can be saved?" ²⁷But Jesus looked at them and said, *"With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible."* ²⁸Then Peter began to say to Him, "See, we have left all and followed You."*

²⁹So Jesus answered and said, *"Assuredly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My sake and the gospel's, ³⁰who shall not receive a hundredfold now in this time--houses and brothers and sisters*

and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions--and in the age to come, eternal life.

³¹*But many who are first will be last, and the last first.*" ³²Now they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was going before them; and they were amazed. And as they followed they were afraid. Then He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them the things that would happen to Him: ³³*"Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles; ³⁴and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again."* ³⁵Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, "Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask." ³⁶And He said to them, *"What do you want Me to do for you?"* ³⁷They said to Him, "Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory." ³⁸But Jesus said to them, *"You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?"* ³⁹They said to Him, "We are able." So Jesus said to them, *"You will indeed drink the cup that I drink, and with the baptism I am baptized with you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared."* ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be greatly displeased with James and John. ⁴²But Jesus called them to Himself and said to them, *"You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. ⁴⁴And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."*

⁴⁶Now they came to Jericho. As He went out of Jericho with His disciples and a great multitude, blind Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, sat by the road begging. ⁴⁷And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Then many warned him to be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be called. Then they called the blind man, saying to him, "Be of good cheer. Rise, He is calling you." ⁵⁰And throwing aside his garment, he rose and came to Jesus. ⁵¹So Jesus answered and said to him, *"What do you want Me to do for you?"* The blind man said to Him, "Rabboni, that I may receive my sight." ⁵²Then Jesus said to him, *"Go your way; your faith has made you well."* And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus on the road.