

Introduction to the Gospel by Mark

The Gospels and the Bible

The Synoptic Problem - How do we *harmonize* the gospel accounts?

- Each is an _____ literary work
- Writers guided by the _____ (2 Pet. 1:20-21)
- Each had a specific _____ and _____
- Origin of the material?
- Why is this important? A faith built on _____ events
A faith built on the _____ of Christ (2 Cor.1:18-20)

Author – Mark

Recipients

Date – most likely _____

Features

- Presents Jesus as _____ and a _____
- Emphasis on _____ versus _____

Purpose – That the Gentile believers in Rome would...

- know that Jesus is the _____ and _____ of God
- follow Jesus' pattern for ministry embodied in _____ and _____ others so that the gospel might go forth to all people.

Outline	Ch. 1-3	Ch. 3-12	Ch. 13-16
	Public ministry	Private ministry	Passion ministry
Focus	Masses	_____	_____

Application

- How can we have a greater confidence in the gospel?
- A ministry of grace, privilege, and purpose

Checking the Foundation – Introduction

Motivation and Outcomes

<i>Motivation</i>		<i>Outcome</i>
A _____ of where I _____	⇒	rekindles my _____
Motivates a _____ to practicing the _____	⇒	recommitment to _____
I can become a _____ for other _____	⇒	recovery and _____

- Romans 8:4
A foundational principle: _____ in the Spirit
- Isaiah 37:31
_____ downward
_____ upward

Conclusion

A strong foundation...

1. Will enable us to _____ in the storms of life.
2. Will enable us to _____ good fruit.