

## WHO IS JESUS?

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The Gospel of Mark is believed to be the earliest written record of the life of Jesus. Written while in Rome with the Apostle Peter during the reign of terror of Nero. Mark is wanting the heavily persecuted believers in Rome to understand the Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God and to prepare them for personal suffering by showing the life of Jesus – the Suffering Servant.

**Tim Keller, "The whole story of the world – and of how we fit into it – is most clearly understood through a careful, direct look at the story of Jesus."**

Mark 1:1-13 is the prologue to his writing and begins to answer the question, "Who is Jesus?"

### PROMISE

v. 1, "The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God

Gospel

Christ

Son of God

### PREEMINENCE

v. 7, "After me One is coming who is mightier than I, and I am not fit to stoop down and untie the thong of His sandals."

**Tim Keller, "We can't think of history as a closed system of natural causes anymore. We can't think of any human system or tradition or authority as inevitable or absolute anymore. Jesus has come; anything can happen now."**

### PURPOSE

v.13, "And He was in the wilderness forty days being tempted by Satan; and He was with the wild beasts and the angels were ministering to Him."