Mark

The **Gospel** of the **Servant of God**

I. The ***Service*** of the **Servant** (1:1-10:52)

A. **His *Preparation*** for **Ministry** (1:1-20)
B. **His *Powerful* Ministry** (1:21-2:12)
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H. **His *Preaching* Ministry** in **Judea** (10:1-52)

1. ***Responding*** to a **Question** regarding **Divorce** (10:1-12)
2. ***Receiving*** and **Blessing** the **Children** (10:13-16)
3. ***Replying*** to a **Question** on **Eternal Life** (10:17-31)

4. ***Remarking* again** of **His Coming Death** and **Resurrection** (10:32-34)

[32] They were on the **road going up** to **Jerusalem,** and **Jesus** was walking on
ahead of them; and they were ***amazed***, and those who followed were ***fearful.***

And again **He** took the **twelve aside** and began to tell them
what was going to **happen** to **Him**,

[33] *saying*, "Behold, we are going up to **Jerusalem,**
and the **Son of Man** will be **delivered** to the **chief priests** and the **scribes**;
and they will **condemn Him** to **death** and will **hand Him** over to the **Gentiles**.

[34] They will **mock Him** and **spit on Him**, and **scourge Him** and **kill *Him***,
and **three days later He** will **rise again**."

5. ***Reminding* His Disciples** concerning the **Priority of Service** (10:35-45)

a. A ***Royal* Request** (10:35-37)

[35] **James** and **John**, the **two sons** of **Zebedee**, came up to **Jesus**, saying,
"**Teacher**, we want **You** to ***do* for us** whatever **we ask** of **You**."

[36] And **He** said to **them**, "**What** do you want **Me** to ***do* for you**?"

[37] **They** said to **Him**, "Grant that **we may sit**,
one on **Your right** and one on ***Your*** **left**, in **Your *glory***."

b. A ***Respectful*** **Response** (10:38-41)

[38] But **Jesus** said to **them,** "You do **not know** what you are asking.

Are you **able** to ***drink*** **the cup** that **I *drink***,
or to be **baptized** with the **baptism** with which ***I am*** **baptized?"**

[39] **They said** to **Him,** "We are **able**." And **Jesus** said to them,
"The **cup** that **I drink** *you* **shall drink**; and you shall be **baptized**
with the **baptism** with which **I am baptized**.

[40] But to **sit** on **My right** or on ***My*** **left,** this is **not Mine** to **give**;
but it is for **those** for whom it has been **prepared.**"

[41] Hearing *this*, **the ten** began to feel ***indignant*** with **James and John**.

c. A ***Reaffirmation*** that **Service** to **Others** results in **True Greatness** (10: 42-45)

[42] Calling them to **Himself**, **Jesus** said to them,
"You know that **those** who are recognized as **rulers** of the **Gentiles *lord it* over them**; and their ***great*** **men** exercise ***authority*** over them.

[43] But it is **not** this ***way*** **among you,**
but whoever wishes to become **great among you** shall be **your servant**;

[44] and whoever wishes to be **first** among you shall be **slave of all**.

[45] For even the **Son of Man** did **not** come to **be served**,
but **to serve**, and to **give His life** a **ransom** for **many.**"

Personal Reflection
The **Messiah's *Life*** and ***Model*** of **Service**

"For even the **Son of Man** did **not** come to **be served**, but to **serve** (10:45a),"

A. **His *Unceasing* Service** to **God His Father**

" For I have **come down** from **heaven**, ***not*** to do **My own will**,
but the **will of Him** who **sent Me."** (John 6:38)

Jesus said to **them**, "**My food** is to ***do*** the **will of Him** who **sent Me**
and to **accomplish His work**." (John 4:34)

"I can **do nothing** on **My *own* initiative**. As **I hear**, **I judge**;

and **My judgment** is ***just***, because I do **not seek My *own will***,
but the **will of Him** who **sent Me**. (John 5:30)

B. **His *Unfailing* Service His people Israel** and **others**

But **He (Jesus) answered** and said,
"**I was *sent* only** to the **lost sheep** of the **house of Israel**." (Matthew 15:24)

Jesus was going through **all** the **cities** and **villages,**
teaching in their **synagogues** and **proclaiming** the **gospel** of the **kingdom,**
and **healing *every*** *kind* of **disease** and ***every*** *kind* of **sickness.**

Seeing the **people**, **He** felt **compassion** for them, because they were **distressed**
and **dispirited** like **sheep** *without* **a shepherd**. (Matthew 9:35-36)

And **large crowds** came to **Him, bringing** with them *those who were **lame***,
crippled, blind, mute, and ***many others***, and they laid them down at **His feet;**
and **He healed them**. (Matthew 15:30)

For who is **greater**, the one who **reclines** *at the **table*** or the one **who serves?**
Is it not the one who **reclines** *at the table*?
But I am **among you** as the **one** who **serves**. (Luke 22:27)

If I then, **the Lord** and the **Teacher, washed your feet**,
you also ought to **wash one another's feet**.

For I gave you **an example** that you also should **do** as **I did** to **you**. (John 13:14-15)

C. **His *Ultimate* Service** to the **World**—"to **give His life** a **ransom** for **many**" (10:45)

Have this **attitude** in yourselves which was also in **Messiah Jesus**,
who, although **He existed** in the ***form* of God**,
did **not** regard **equality with God** a thing to **be *grasped***,

but **emptied Himself**, taking the ***form*** of a **bond-servant**,
and being **made** in the **likeness of *men***.

Being found in **appearance** as a ***man,***
He humbled Himself by becoming **obedient**
to the **point of death**, even **death** on **a cross**. (Philippians 2:5-8)

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knowing that **you** were **not redeemed** with **perishable things** like **silver** or **gold**
from your **futile** way of life inherited from **your forefathers**,
but with **precious blood**, as of **a lamb** *unblemished* and *spotless,*
*the **blood*** of **Messiah**. (I Peter 1:18-19)

For there is **one God**, *and* **one mediator** also between **God and men**,
the **man Messiah Jesus**, who **gave Himself** as a **ransom** for **all**,

the **testimony** *given* at the **proper time**. (I Timothy 2:5-6)

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and from **Jesus the Messiah**, the **faithful witness**, the **firstborn of the dead**,
and the **ruler** of the **kings** of the **earth**. **To Him** who **loves us**
and **released us** from **our sins** by **His blood**—(Revelation 1:5)

Closing Comments