

TEACHER VERSION
(Highlights are only on teacher paper)

Seekers Bible Study
Lesson 2
The Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

Questions to be addressed: *What is the Gospel?*
What is the Kingdom of God?
How are they related?

1. "The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." (Mark 1:1)

-What is the Gospel?

"Gospel" means good news

The Greek word refers to an announcement, such as a herald would bring

(Ref: <http://studybible.info/strongs/G2098>)

Specifically, it is associated with the announcement of a new King

(Ref: Wright, N.T. *What St. Paul Really Said*. As cited by "The Meaning of the Gospel." Break Point. (n.d.). Web. Retrieved 28 Oct. 2016 from

<http://www.colsoncenter.org/the-center/columns/call-response/20473-the-meaning-of-the-gospel>

2. What does Christ mean?

-Translation vs. Transliteration

Seraphim is fun example

Transliteration: seraphim; translation: snake, serpent

Compare Isaiah 6:2-6 with Numbers 21:6-8

(Ref.: Pavao, P.F. "Seraphim." (2009-2016). Web. Retrieved 28 Oct. 2016 from <http://www.christian-history.org/seraphim.html>)

-Christ is a transliteration; translation is "Anointed One"

Messiah: from the Hebrew Meschiach

Christ: from the Greek Christos

Both mean "anointed one"

The Jews anointed kings, priests, and prophets

3. The Christ in the Old Testament

-Isaiah 61:1

What does this tell us about Messiah?

In Luke 4:18 Jesus applies this to himself

In response, the men in the synagogue tried to kill him

-Daniel 9:26

Anointed One mentioned but little detail

He will be put to death

-1 Samuel 2:10

Just mentioned in passing

-Psalm 2

This worth studying

3. The Christ in Psalm 2

-Read Psalm 2 & discuss

Discuss attributes of Messiah in Psalm 2

eternal

rules whole world

destroys nations that do not obey

Create sense of awe

Narrow this to "Anointed" and "Son of God"

4. "Christ and Son of God" in the New Testament

-Mark 1

Think about this in regard to Psalm 2

What is Mark claiming?

-Matthew 16:16-20 (Peter)

-Matthew 26:33 (high priest)

-Mark 5:7; Luke 4:41 (demons)

5. The Gospel of the Kingdom

-Mark 1:14-15

When he tells people the kingdom of God is near or at hand, what is he telling them?

Who is the King of this kingdom?

-Mark 1:1

Think about the meaning of Gospel

Think about the meaning of Christ and Son of God

Who is Mark saying is Christ and Son of God?

What is Mark's "Gospel"?