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## **DEI VERBUM & PARISH BIBLE QUIZ 2025**

## **TOPIC OF STUDY: GOSPEL OF MARK**

## **SAMPLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

### **Testing Schedule & Topics tested**

Test	Day & Date	Topics covered	<b>Testing Place</b>
DEI VERBUM DIOCESAN BIBLE QUIZ 2025			
PRELIMINARY ROUND	SATURDAY,	GOSPEL OF MARK (Grades 4 - 6)	ONLINE
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	2024	THE GALATIANS (Grades 7 - 12)	
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PARISH BIBLE QUIZ			
Preliminary test	Sunday,	Gospel of Mark	St. Alphonsa
	December 8,		Hall
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## **TOPIC:** Gospel of Mark (The New American Bible or USCCB Bible)

#### **Chapter 1**

1. St. Mark begins his gospel as: "The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ [the Son of God]". What does the word *gospel* mean? (1:1)

Ans: good news

2. Which prophet is mentioned in Mark Chapter 1? (1:2)

Ans: prophet Isaiah

3. Who did Mark call "the voice of one crying out in the desert?" (1:3-4)

Ans: John the Baptist

4. What kind of baptism did John the Baptist preach? (1:4)

Ans: Baptism of repentance for the remission of sins

5. In which river did John baptize? (1:5)

Ans: River Jordan

6. How was John the Baptist clothed him while preaching in the desert? (1:6)

Ans: Clothed in camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist

7. What did John baptize with people in the River Jordan? (1:8)

Ans: Water

8. What would the one coming after John baptize with? (1:8)

Ans: The Holy Spirit

9. What did Jesus see descending upon Him as He came out of the water after being baptized? (1:10)

Ans: The Spirit, like a dove

10. How long was Jesus in the desert after His baptism? (1:13)

Ans: 40 days

11. What happened to Jesus while He was in the desert? (1:13)

Ans: He was tempted by Satan

12. Who ministered to Jesus in the desert? (1: 13)

Ans: Angels

13. "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel". Who proclaimed this?(1:14-15)

Ans: Jesus

14. Who did Jesus say to, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men"? (1: 16-17)

Ans: Simon and Andrew

15. After Jesus called Simon, Andrew, James and John where did they all go? (1:21)

Ans: Capernaum

16. What did the man with unclean spirit in the synagogue of Capernaum call Jesus? (1:24)

Ans: The Holy one of God

17. Whose fever left as Jesus grasped her hand and helped her get up? (1:30-31)

Ans: Simon's mother-in-law

18. Who came to Jesus in Galilee, kneeling down and begging, "If You are willing, You can make me clean."? (1:40)

Ans: A leper

#### **Chapter 2**

19. At which place, did Jesus heal the paralytic man? (2:1)

Ans: Capernaum

20. How was the paralytic man taken near to Jesus through the crowd? (2:4)

Ans: Through the roof

21. What did Jesus say to the paralytic man who was let down through the roof? (2:5)

Ans: "Child, your sins are forgiven."

22. Pharisees who are trained for oral interpretation of the written law are called-----? (2:6)

**Ans: Scribes** 

23. According to Mark 2:7, which miracle performed by Jesus brings Him enemies?

Ans: healing of paralytic man

24. The healing of the paralytic man shows that Jesus has authority to do what? (2:10)

Ans: forgive sins

25. What three things did Jesus tell the paralytic man to do? (2:11)

Ans: Rise, pick up his mat & go home

26. What was the name of the disciple of Jesus who was son of Alpheus? (2:14)

Ans: Levi

27. Who asked Jesus' disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" (2:16-17)

Ans: Scribes who are Pharisees

28. Jesus mingled with tax collectors and sinners, this signifies that Jesus came for not the righteous but for the -----(2:17)

**Ans: Sinners** 

29. Jesus was often accused of doing unlawful things on this day. (2:24)

Ans: Sabbath

30. What did Jesus' disciples do in the grain fields that the Pharisees said unlawful? (2:23-24)

Ans: They plucked the heads of grain on the Sabbath

31. The name of the high priest when David ate from the bread of offering at Temple?

Ans: Abiathar (2:26)

#### **Chapter 3**

32. Who did Jesus cure in the Synagogue on the Sabbath day? (3:1)

Ans: A man with withered hand

33. How did Jesus cure the man with withered hand on Sabbath day in front of Pharisees? (3:5)

Ans: Jesus asked him to stretch out his hand and it was cured

34. On what quality of the Pharisees did Jesus grieve in the Synagogue before curing the man with withered hand? (3:5)

Ans: their hardness of heart

35. Jesus cured many and those who had diseases were pressing upon him to do what? (3:10)

Ans: to touch him in order to get cured

36. Who would fall down before Jesus and shout, "You are the Son of God"? (3:11)

Ans: Unclean spirits

37. While Jesus was up in the mountain after leaving Capernaum, how many did He appoint to go out and preach? (3:14)

Ans: Twelve

38. To whom did Jesus give the name Peter?" (3:16)

Ans: Simon

39. Which one of the twelve betrayed Jesus? (3:19)

Ans: Judas Iscariot

40. Who did Jesus say could never receive forgiveness? (3:29)

Ans: He who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit.

41. Who did Jesus say is His brother and sister and mother? (3:35)

Ans: Whoever does the will of God?

#### **Chapter 4**

42. How did Jesus teach the people who gathered by the seaside? (4:2)

Ans: By parables

43. What is the first parable the Gospel of Mark records? (4:2-9)

Ans: The parable of the sower

44. What happened to the seeds that fell on the path (4:4)

Ans: birds came and ate them

45. What happened to the seeds that fell on rocky ground after the sun rose (Mk 4:6)

Ans: it was scorched by the Sun and withered for lack of roots

46. What happened to the seeds that fell among thorns (Mk 4:7)

Ans: thorns grew up and choked it and it produced no grain

47. What happened to the seeds that fell on rich soil (Mk 4:8)

Ans: It grew up and yielded fruits at thirty, sixty, and a hundredfold

48. As Jesus explained the parable of the sower to the twelve and other, what did He say the sower actually sowed? (4:14)

Ans: The word

49. In the parable of the sower, which of these things do the thorns NOT represent? (4:18-19)

Ans: The desire for worldly power

50. In the parable of the sower, who are the ones sown on good ground? (4:20)

Ans: Those who hear the word accept it and bear fruit

51. What did Jesus compare a mustard seed to? (4:30-31)

Ans: The kingdom of God

52. Whom did Jesus ask, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" (4:40)

Ans: His disciples

#### **Chapter 5**

53. What was the man with unclean spirits from the tombs doing day and night among the tombs and on the hillsides? (5:5)

Ans: he was crying out and bruising himself with stones

54. What command did Jesus give to the unclean spirit? (5:8)

Ans: "Unclean spirit, come out of the man"

55. What did Jesus do with the demons named Legion? (5:13)

Ans: Sent them into a great herd of swine feeding nearby

56. What did Jairus, the Synagogue official plead with Jesus? (5:23)

Ans: to lay His hands on his daughter who is at the point of death

57. What did the woman with a flow of blood do when she heard of Jesus? (5:27)

Ans: She came behind him in the crowd and touched His garment

58. How did Jesus bring the Synagogue official's daughter to life from death?

Ans: Jesus took the child by the hand and said to her, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!"

59. According to Jesus, what quality of the Synagogue official and the woman with affliction save them? (5:34 & 36)

Ans: Faith in Jesus' healing power

60. What does "Talitha koum" mean? (5:41)

Ans: "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

### **Chapter 6**

61. By what numbers did Jesus send out the twelve? (6:7)

Ans: Two by two

62. What was the only thing Jesus told the twelve to take with them as they were sent out? (6:8)

Ans: A walking stick (staff)

63. What did Jesus say to His disciples to do if any place does not welcome them or listen to them?" (6:11)

Ans: leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them

64. As the twelve went out, what else did they do besides preaching repentance? (6:13)

Ans: Cast out many demons and anointed many that were sick with oil and healed them

65. Who did King Herod think Jesus was? (6:16)

Ans: John the Baptist

66. While King Herod thought Jesus was John the Baptist risen from the dead, who did other people think Jesus was? (6:15)

Ans: Elijah, or a prophet

67. Who told Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."? (6:18)

Ans: John the Baptist

68. Who danced before Herod? (6:22)

Ans: Herodias' daughter

69. How did John the Baptist die? (6:27)

Ans: beheaded

70. To whom did Herodias' daughter give the head of John the Baptist? (6:28)

Ans: To her mother (Herodias)

71. After the beheading of John the Baptist, who gathered to Jesus and told Him all things, both what they had done and taught? (6:30)

Ans: The apostles (whom He sent out two by two)

72. Who did Jesus say were like sheep without a shepherd? (6:33-34)

Ans: The people who followed Him

73. What did Jesus tell His disciples when they were surrounded by people with no food? (6:37)

Ans: "You give them something to eat."

74. How much bread did the disciples think they would need to feed the multitude of people who gathered to Jesus? (6:37)

Ans: 200 day's wages worth of food

75. What did the disciples answer when Jesus asked them, "How many loaves have you?" (6:38)

Ans: "Five loaves and two fish"

76. In what size groups did the multitude sit down on the green grass? (6:40)

Ans: Hundreds and fifties

77. How many men were in the multitude that Jesus fed? (6:44)

Ans: About 5,000

78. Following the feeding of the 5,000, what did Jesus make his disciples do? (6:45)

Ans: Get into a boat and go to the other side

79. At what time of the night did the disciples see Jesus walking on the sea? (6:48)

Ans: Fourth watch

#### **Chapter 7**

80. The Pharisees were upset with Jesus' disciples because......(7:2)

Ans: They ate their meals with unclean hands

81. Jesus said to the Pharisees "You disregard God's commandment but cling to human traditions", what did He mean? (7:6-9)

Ans: People are more conscious of laws rather than practicing goodness and respect

82. What does the word Qorban mean? (7:11)

Ans: dedicated to God

83. "But what comes out of a person, that is what defiles." Who said this to whom? (7:20)

Ans: Jesus to his disciples

84. Which one of the following is an evil that defiles according to Jesus? (7:21)

Ans: evil thoughts

85. What did the woman want Jesus to do? (7:26)

Ans: to drive the demon out of her daughter

86. According to the Greek woman who is fed first and then scraps given to the dogs? (7:28)

Ans: Children

87. What did the woman see when she went home? (7:29)

Ans: she found the child lying in bed and the demon gone.

88. Who did Jesus cure when He was preaching in the district of Decapolis? (7:32)

Ans: deaf man

89. What does "Ephphatha" mean? (7:34)

Ans: be opened

90. What did Jesus do in Decapolis to man that the people brought to him? (31-35

Ans: cured him

#### **Chapter 8**

91. Why did Jesus feel pity for the crowd that followed him for 3 days? (8:2)

Ans: They were hungry and had nothing to eat

92. How many days had the crowd been with Jesus in the desert when He was moved with pity to provide nourishment for them? (8:2)

Ans: Three days

93. How many loaves of bread were left with the disciples to give to the crowd? (8:5)

Ans: Seven

94. Why did the Pharisees request a sign from Jesus, is it because they wanted to believe in Him? (8:11)

Ans: No, they were trying to test Him

95. What did Jesus mean by the leaven of the Pharisees? (8:14-16)

Ans: hardness of their hearts

96. How did Jesus cure the blind man of Bethsaida? (8:23)

Ans: By Placing spittle on his eyes and laying hands on him

97. Jesus cured a man from Bethsaida before leaving for Caesarea Philippi. What was his deformity? (8:22)

Ans: blindness

98. When Jesus asked the disciples who they thought HE was, what was Peter's response? (8:29)

Ans: You are the Messiah

99. After what length of time did Jesus say He would rise following His death? (8:31)

Ans: 3 days

100. What was Jesus' response to Peter about His suffering? (8:33)

Ans: Jesus said, "Get behind me Satan"

101. What must one do to follow Jesus? (8:34)

Ans: Deny oneself, take up his cross and follow Him

#### **Chapter 9**

How long did Jesus stay in the towns of Caesarea Philippi before He went up to a high mountain to be transfigured? (9:2)

Ans: 6 days

103. Which three disciples did Jesus take with Him, up into a high mountain to witness His transfiguration? (9:2)

Ans: Peter, James, and John

104. Which two persons appeared with Jesus at the transfiguration? (9:4)

Ans: Elijah and Moses

105. Who wanted to build three tents at the transfiguration? (9:5)

Ans: Peter

106. What emotion did Peter, James and John feel at the transfiguration? (9:6)

Ans: They were greatly afraid

107. What appeared at the transfiguration and overshadowed those who were present? (9:7)

Ans: A cloud

108. At the transfiguration, what did the voice say from the cloud? (9:7)

Ans: "This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him!"

109. Who said, "Lord, I do believe; help my unbelief."? (9:24)

Ans: The father of the boy possessed with a mute spirit

110. Into what city did Jesus go after healing the boy with the mute spirit? (9:33)

Ans: Capernaum

111. What were the disciples arguing about on the way to Capernaum? (9:33)

Ans: They were arguing who was the greatest among them

112. What did Jesus say to do if your hand makes you sin? (9:43)

Ans: Cut it off

#### **Chapter 10**

113. Who asked Jesus when he was teaching in Judea "Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?" (10:2)

Ans: Pharisees

114. Moses permitted a bill of divorce because of the \_\_\_\_ of their hearts. (10:5)

Ans: **hardness** 

115. What did Jesus say a person was guilty of if they divorced their husband or wife, and married someone else? (10:11-12)

Ans: Adultery

116. About whom did Jesus say, "... of such is the kingdom of God."? (10:14)

Ans: Little children

117. When Jesus spoke to the rich young man about the commandments, how many commandments did Jesus mention? (10:19)

#### **Ans: 6 commandments**

118. Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for those who have \_\_\_\_ to enter the kingdom of God!" (10:23)

Ans: wealth

119. What did Jesus say is easier than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God? (10:25)

Ans: For a camel to go through the eye of a needle

120. Who said, "See, we have left all and followed You."? (10:28)

Ans: Peter

121. Who said to Jesus, "Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask"? (10:35)

Ans: James and John

122. Which of Jesus' disciples asked Him for the privilege of sitting on His right hand and on His left hand? (10:35-37)

Ans: James and John

#### Chapter 11

123. How many disciples did Jesus send from the Mount of Olives to prepare for His entry into Jerusalem? (11:1)

Ans: Two

124. As Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a colt, what did people spread in the road before Him? (11:8)

Ans: Their garments and leafy branches

125. Where did Jesus go when He entered into Jerusalem on a colt? (11:11)

Ans: To the temple

On the day after Jesus rode the colt into Jerusalem, what kind of tree did He see? (11:13)

Ans: A fig tree

127. What did Jesus do when He came upon a fig tree that had no figs? (11:13-14, 20-21)

Ans: He cursed it

128. When Jesus entered into the temple, whose tables and seats did He overthrow? (11:15)

Ans: The money changers', and those who sold doves

129. What was unusual about the fig tree that Jesus had cursed? (11:20)

Ans: It was dried up from the roots

130. What did Jesus say we have to do before God will forgive our trespasses? (11:25-26)

Ans: We have to forgive others

131. According to the chief priests, scribes, and elders, how had all the people regarded John the Baptist? (11:32)

Ans: As a prophet

#### **Chapter 12**

132. In the parable of the vineyard owner, what did the owner set around his vineyard? (12:1) Ans: A hedge

133. What did the vineyard tenants do to the third servant that the owner sent to them? (12:5)

Ans: They killed him

134. After many servants had been beaten and killed, who finally went to visit them? (12:6)

Ans: The owner's son

135. Why did the tenants kill the owner's son? (12:7)

Ans: So the inheritance would be theirs

136. Which stone did Jesus say has become the cornerstone? (12:10)

Ans: The stone the builders rejected

137. In trying to catch Jesus in His words, what question did the Pharisees and Herodians ask Jesus? (12:14)

Ans: "Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?"

138. When asked about paying taxes to Caesar, what did Jesus tell them to bring to Him? (12:15)

Ans: A denarius

139. Whose picture was on the money the Pharisees and Herodians brought to Jesus?(12:16)

Ans: Caesar's

140. What group of people said there is no resurrection? (12:18)

Ans: The Sadducees

141. Who instructed the Sadducees concerning a man's responsibility to his brother's wife, if his brother died? (12:19)

Ans: Moses

142. What is the second greatest commandment? (12:31)

Ans: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

143. Whose son did the scribes say Christ was? (12:35)

Ans: David's

144. What was Jesus watching people do when he noticed a poor widow? (12:42)

Ans: Put money into the treasury

145. How much did the poor widow throw into the treasury? (12:42)

Ans: Two coins

146. Who did Jesus say had put the most into the treasury? (12:43)

Ans: The poor widow

#### **Chapter 13**

- 147. Jesus said to them, "Many will come in my name saying, 'I am he,' and they will deceive many". (13:6) Ans: Peter, James, John, and Andrew
- 148. What did Jesus promise to those disciples who would endure to the end? (13:13)

Ans: They will be saved

149. What Old Testament prophet had spoken of the abomination of desolation? (13:14)

Ans: Daniel

150. When Jesus was explaining about the signs leading up to the destruction of Jerusalem, what kind of plant did He use as an illustration? (13:28-29)

Ans: A fig tree

#### **Chapter 14**

151. How long after Jesus' prophecy of the destruction of Jerusalem and His second coming, did the feast of the Passover and of unleavened bread take place? (14: 1) Ans: **Two days** 

The chief priests and scribes don't want to arrest Jesus on the feast days. Why? (14:2)

Ans: because they suspect a riot among people

153. Who came to Jesus while He was in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper? (14:3)

Ans: **A woman** 

154. In what type of container did the woman bring the oil of spikenard? (14:3)

Ans: An alabaster flask

155. Who would always be with the people in the house of Simon the leper? (14:7)

Ans: The poor

156. For what purpose did Jesus say the woman in Bethany had anointed Him? (14:8)

Ans: In anticipation of His burial

157. What did the chief priests promise Judas in return for his betrayal of Jesus? (14:11)

Ans: Money

158. Who led the great multitude of people into the garden to arrest Jesus? (14:43-44)

Ans: Judas Iscariot

159. What signal did Judas use to betray Jesus?(14:44)

Ans: **He kissed Him** 

160. Whose ear was cut off in the garden of Gethsemane? (14:47)

Ans: A servant of the high priest

161. Where did those who arrested Jesus take Him? (14:53)

Ans: To the high priest

162. What was Peter doing while Jesus was being tried before the high priest? (14:54)

Ans: Warming himself by the fire

163. At Jesus' trial, who asked, "Are you the Messiah, the son of the Blessed One?" (14:61)

Ans: The high priest

164. What did the high priest do when Jesus said He was the Christ? (14:62-63)

Ans: Tore his clothes

165. When Jesus told the high priest He was Christ, what did he accuse Jesus of? (14:64)

Ans: **Blasphemy** 

166. How many times did Peter deny Christ? (14:72)

Ans: Three times

167. What happened immediately following Peter's third denial of Jesus? (14:72)

Ans: The rooster crowed the second time

168. What did Peter do after denying Jesus three times? (14:72)

Ans: **He wept** 

#### **Chapter 15**

To whom was Jesus delivered after His trial before the high priest? (15:1)

Ans: Pilate

170. How did the Sanhedrin hand Jesus over to Pilate? (15:3)

Ans: They bound Jesus and led him away

171. What was Jesus' reply to Pilate when he questioned him "Are you king of the Jews?" (15:3)

Ans: "You say so"

172. On the *feast* Pilate used to release one prisoner whom the people requested. Which feast is referred here? (15:6)

Ans: Passover

173. According to Pilate, why did the chief priests hand Jesus over to him? (15:10)

Ans: Out of envy

174. Who did the chief priests and crowd want Pilate to release on the feast? (15:11)

Ans: Barabbas

175. How did the people respond when Pilate asked, "What then do you want me to do with Him whom you call the King of the Jews?" (15:12 & 13)

Ans: They cried out, "Crucify Him!"

176. What prisoner was released to the people during the feast of the Passover? (15:15)

Ans: **Barabbas** 

177. Who carried Jesus' cross part of the way? (15:21)

Ans: Simon the Cyrenian

178. What was the name of the place where Jesus was brought to be crucified? (15:22)

Ans: Golgotha

179. What did the soldiers do with Jesus' clothes when they had crucified Him? (15:24)

Ans: They cast lots to see who would get what

180. As Jesus hung on the cross, what inscription was written above His head? (15:26)

Ans: "THE KING OF THE JEWS"

181. What was torn from top to bottom when Jesus died? (15:38)

Ans: The veil in the temple

182. What did the centurion, standing near the cross, say when Jesus died? (15:39)

Ans: "Truly this Man was the Son of God."

183. After Jesus' crucifixion, who went to Pilate to request the body of Jesus? (15:43)

Ans: Joseph of Arimathaea

184. In what did Joseph of Arimathea wrap the body of Jesus? (15:46)

Ans: Linen

185. Where did Joseph of Arimathea lay the body of Jesus? (15:46)

Ans: In a tomb hewn (carved) out of a rock

186. After Jesus' body was laid in the tomb, what was done to secure the tomb? (15:46)

Ans: A stone was rolled against the door

187. Who watched where the body of Jesus was laid when Joseph of Arimathea did it? (15:49)

Ans: Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses

#### **Chapter 16**

188. How did the three women feel when they entered the tomb where Jesus had been buried, and saw an angel? (16:5)

Ans: They were alarmed

189. What did the angel in the tomb tell the women had happened to Jesus? (16:6)

Ans: He is risen

190. The angel in the tomb told the women to give a message to whom? (16:7)

Ans: Jesus' disciples and Peter

191. In what region did the angel say Jesus' disciples would see Him? (16:7)

Ans: Galilee

192. To whom did Jesus first appear after His resurrection? (16:9)

Ans: Mary Magdalene

193. What were the disciples doing when Mary told them she had seen Jesus risen from the dead? (16:10)

Ans: They were mourning and weeping

194. After the Jesus appeared to Mary Magdalene, to whom did He appear in another form? (16:12)

Ans: Two of His disciples as they went into the country

195. Jesus appeared to *these people* and rebuked them for their unbelief and hardness of heart. (16:14)

Ans: 11 disciples who were at table

196. What command did Jesus give to the 11 disciples when he appeared to them? (14:15)

Ans: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature".

197. After speaking the "Great Commission," what happened to Jesus? (16:19)

Ans: He was taken up into heaven, and sat at the right hand of God

198. "So, then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven" (16:19). What is this event called? Ans: Ascension

199. Where did the apostles go and preach? (16:20) Ans: **Everywhere** 

200. With what did the apostles confirm their message? (16:20)

Ans: Signs