

(In preparation for gathered worship next week, September 28, 2008)

## Changing The World

### Part I

#### Mark 1: 1-20

Something big is happening, bigger than anything in the history of the world. The Son of God is coming to earth. The question in the opening verses of mark is: Will people be prepared for Him?

Well, how do you get ready for the kingdom of God? A man named John can help you.

Read the first twenty verses of the gospel of Mark and write out your answers to the following questions.

- 1) How does John the Baptist prepare people for the arrival of Jesus Christ? In particular, what is 'a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins'? (verse 4)
  
- 2) What is the significance of the voice of heaven proclaiming: 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased'? (verse 11)
  
- 3) What is 'the kingdom of God'? (verse 15)
  
- 4) Why does Jesus want to turn Simon and Andrew into 'fishers of men'? (verse 17)
  
- 5) How do you prepare yourself to receive this new King? Have you done so? List the evidence.