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Malachi 2:17-3:5; 4:1-6

Mark 1:1-8

A Stage Is Set For The King

Mark's Main Ideas

- 1) The Book Is About Jesus
- 2) John The Baptizer Preached Repentance And Baptism
- 3) John The Baptizer Is "Elijah," The Forerunner Of The Messiah
- 4) John Points To Jesus And The Coming Holy Spirit







(1) The Book Is About Jesus

Mark 1:1-3

Exodus 23:20, Malachi 2:17-3:1, Isaiah 40:1-5

"Behold, I send an angel before you to guard you on the way and to bring you to the place that I have prepared.

Exodus 23:20

You have wearied the LORD with your words. But you say, "How have we wearied him?" By saying, "Everyone who does evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delights in them." Or by asking, "Where is the God of justice?"

"Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.

Malachi 2:17-3:1

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.

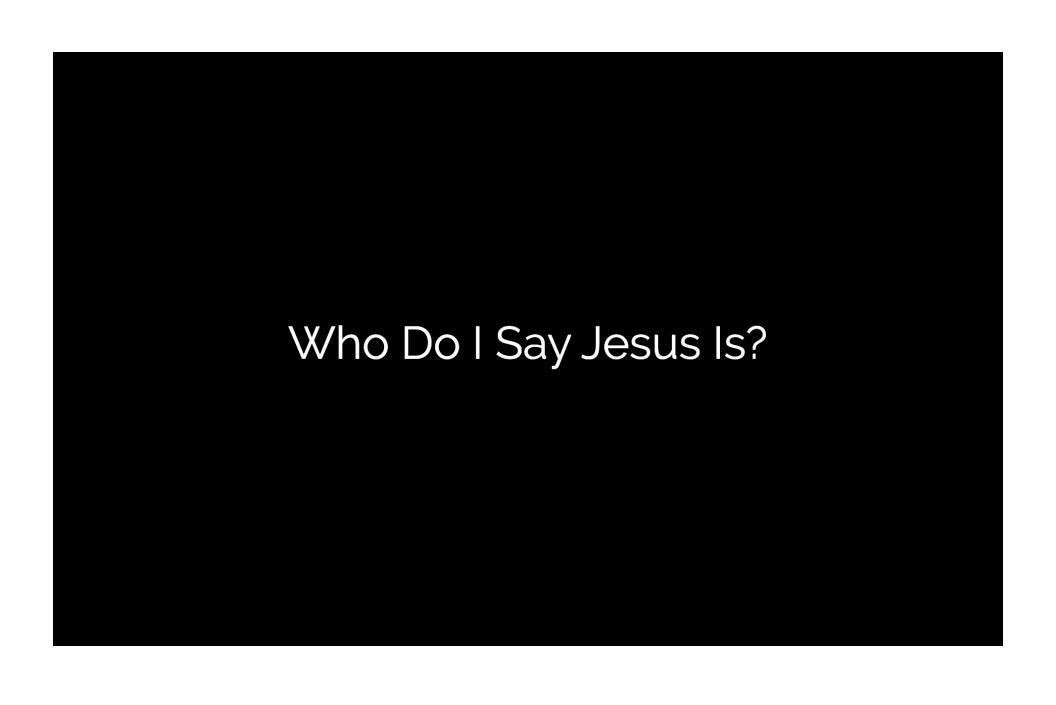
A voice cries:

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

Isaiah 40:1-5

"Behold, I (YHWH) send my (YHWH) messenger (JOHN) before your (JESUS) face, who will prepare your (JESUS) way, the voice of one (JOHN) crying in the wilderness: '(YOU PEOPLE) Prepare the way of the Lord (JESUS), (YOU PEOPLE) make his (JESUS) paths straight...'"

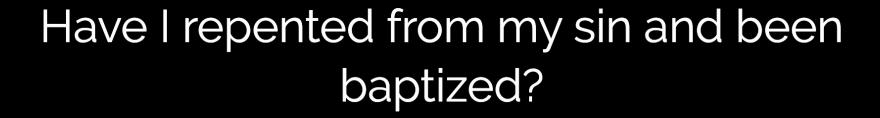


Mark 1:4-6

(2) John The Baptist Preached Repentance And Baptism

You have wearied the LORD with your words. But you say, "How have we wearied him?" By saying, "Everyone who does evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delights in them." Or by asking, "Where is the God of justice?"

Malachi 2:17



(3) John The Baptist Is "Elijah," The Forerunner Of The Messiah

"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. Malachi 4:5 Mark 1:7-8

(4) John Points To Jesus And The Coming Holy Spirit

Am I Allowing The Holy Spirit To Work In My Life?



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