

Some people are always ready to tell people about Jesus; or, so it seems. How does that happen? A few years ago I read a book recommended by our own Jeff Barneson, missionary with Intervarsity to Grad students at Harvard. The name of the book is ***Speaking of Jesus***. It is the author's story of traveling throughout the Middle East asking Muslims the question, "What are your thoughts about Jesus?"

The author's point is that we need to speak often about Jesus and thereby compel people to think about Him and His claims on our lives. How fitting then that we should begin a study of Mark's Gospel on the life and story of Jesus. Let's be prepared to speak about Him.

Let's find our _____ in the _____ of the _____
(Rom. 1:16-17)

It's far more than a philosophy or point of view. His story is the very _____ unto salvation to everyone who believes.

It is the _____ story of God's _____

Let's be _____ to "tell it _____ and tell it ____"

Personal Application and Interaction

1. What is your favorite account from the life of Jesus?
2. When are you most comfortable telling someone who doesn't appear to know God about Jesus? What gives you that sense of confidence?
3. How did you come to understand the answer to the question, "Why did Jesus come?" How convinced are you of your answer to the question?
4. What do you think is the general understanding of those for whom you are praying as to why Jesus came? How have you prepared to tell about His intentions as it relates to them?
5. Describe your recent prayers for open doors for you and others to share the mystery of the gospel. How has God been working by your observation as you have been praying?



His Compelling Story

Mark 10:45

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