

Transformed by Faith, Part 12

Transformation Quiz

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Transformed by Faith – The Book of Mark

1. Mark was the first gospel written. 90% of Mark was used in both Matthew and Luke. Matthew, Mark, and Luke are called the synoptic gospels because they can be seen together.
2. All the New Testament books were written by eyewitnesses or associates of eyewitnesses of the events recorded.
3. Mark has 16 chapters. The major transition comes half way in chapter 8 with Peter's confession and concludes with the centurion's confession in chapter 15 that Jesus is the Christ.
4. Mark initially was a ministry partner with Paul, but they parted ways when Mark and Paul later reunited. Colossians 4:10, Acts 13:13
5. Mark was a longtime traveling partner of Peter who had also led him to the Lord. Peter was an eyewitness of Jesus' life and was a cousin of Barnabas the apostle. Acts 14:14, 1 Peter 5:13, Colossians 4:10
6. Mark's mother had a large home where prayer meetings were held. It was to this home that Peter came after being miraculously released from prison. Acts 12
7. Mark is a book of action, documenting more of Jesus' miracles than teachings. It was written to a Gentile audience who were being persecuted in Rome. It uses the word immediately more than 40 times.
8. Mark practically omits all references to Jewish holidays, law, customs, genealogy, and messianic prophecy.
9. Jesus' constant miracles reveal that Jesus is a Savior who is constantly active and able to address the problems of our everyday lives.
10. Transformation means being changed from one being into another.
11. Transformation requires faith as Hebrews 11:6 says that it is impossible to please God without faith. Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1
12. When you are transformed you will acquire more enemies.
13. Forgive others as Christ forgave, express unconditional love to sinners, submit to God's Word and not man's tradition, and be consistent in your obedience. Mark 2-3
14. If everyone in the church today witnessed to 1 person per week we would reach 468,000 people per year.

Transformation Tools – Mark 4

15. Pray for a desire to maximize the spiritual fruit in your life.
16. The Eternal Truth of God's Word: Use it to expose Satan's lies and provide a Rock foundation of truth in your life. Mark 4:14-15
17. The Promises of God in your life: Trust in them as you face criticism from the world. Mark 4:16-17

18. Freedom in Christ: Exercise your freedom to walk away from the "cares of the world" that can choke you to death. Mark 4:18-19

19. True transformation requires an active faith. Mark 4:21-34

Transforming Vision – Mark 5

20. Can you envision overcoming the personal issues that keep holding you down? If yes, respond by admitting that you cannot change yourself on your own. Mark 4:21-34
21. Can you envision experiencing daily victory over your issues? If yes, respond by avoiding the negative advice of those who disbelieve. Mark 4:35-36
22. Can you envision dreaming the impossible for your life? If yes, respond by developing and pursuing a plan to achieve that dream? Mark 4:37-39
23. Can you envision your love and service being requested by God Himself? If yes, respond to the call of Christ on your life and follow Him? Mark 4:40-43

Transformed Believers are Empowered to Speak Truth – Mark 6:14-29

24. Speak the truth without fear of man. Mark 6:17
25. Speak the truth from God's Word, not man's opinion. Mark 6:18
26. Speak the truth with a spirit of Love, for the benefit of the hearer. Mark 6:20

Transformation Requires You to Let Go – Mark 6:45-51

27. Get in the boat and go where Jesus sends you. Mark 6:45
28. Stop trying to control the boat and begin riding the waves of life. Mark 6:48
29. Step out of the boat and follow Jesus into the unknown. Mark 6:50

The Transformed Christian is Prepared for Ministry – Mark 8:1-9

30. The transformed Christian has a priority of ministering to the needs of others. Mark 8:1-3
31. The transformed Christian honors God with their resources. Mark 8:5-9
32. The transformed Christian commits all of their works to the Lord. Mark 8:5-9

Sacrifice, the Cost of Discipleship – Mark 8:31-38

33. We sacrifice for Jesus because Jesus gave His life for us. Mark 8:31-33
34. We sacrifice by living a life of self denial. Mark 8:34
35. We sacrifice in order to honor Jesus. Mark 8:35-38

The #1 Transformation Obstacle – Mark 9:14-29

36. Bring the results of your unbelief to Jesus. Mark 9:14-21
37. Admit and surrender your unbelief to Jesus. Mark 9:23-24
38. Starve your unbelief by feeding your faith. Mark 9:25-29

Practice Makes Perfect – Mark 14:66-72

39. Practice defending your faith by regularly explaining what you believe. Mark 14:68
40. Practice being a faithful friend by being accountable to someone. Mark 14:70
41. Practice the presence of God in your life by pursuing a daily God Experience. Mark 14:71