

Mark Chapter 16 – Mark is an action Gospel.

Jesus – God's servant doing God's will. Jesus is a man of action.

Acknowledge listening to Dr. Vernon McGree thru the bible teachings.

Let's review: In chapter 15

**Jesus is tried by the Romans and sentenced to death. Crucified!
He died and is buried.**

Mark 16:1 (NASB) And when the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him.

2 And very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen.

3 And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?"

4 And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away, although it was extremely large.

Women might have been the last at the Cross, first at the tomb. Any indication that the disciples were going to the Tomb? - None.

I spoke here at a Throne of Grace Sunday service on "Who will roll away the stone for us? It's on the menteachingmen.com website. Many of the men here have large and many stones that they need rolled away. Don't worry, as you are faithful in Jesus, God is able to remove the stones in your life.

5 And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting at the right, wearing a white robe; and they were amazed.

Empty tomb, Empty Tomb. We place our Hope in this. If Christ didn't rise, we won't either. We have the corpses, of tons of death saints and others, no corpse of Jesus.

One of my beloved in the Brethren in Christ Church, Bishops, Henry Ginder, was in the tomb in Jerusalem and had a vision. (I don't remember what it was about.)

Jesus didn't use a frightening angel for this. He is a Loving, Kind Savior.

Many people say they have met angels. Hebrews 13:2 Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it. (Must have looked like us) I don't think seeing angels is that rare, or human looking angels is that rare. Matter of fact, I know several people that testify about seeing Jesus.

6 And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who has been crucified. He has risen; He is not here; behold, here is the place where they laid Him.

7 "But go, tell His disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, just as He said to you.'"

8 And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had gripped them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

You can look in the tomb for Jesus, but you won't find him. You will find him in your heart and soul when you receive him. "Come into my heart Lord Jesus" AMEN

There is controversy on the next part of this chapter. It is omitted in several older manuscripts. I have always considered this chapter to be the Word of God.

9 Now after He had risen early on the first day of the week, He first appeared to Mary Magdalene, from whom He had cast out seven demons.

10 She went and reported to those who had been with Him, while they were mourning and weeping.

11 And when they heard that He was alive, and had been seen by her, they refused to believe it.

After all this and still unbelief.

12 And after that, He appeared in a different form to two of them, while they were walking along on their way to the country.

Luke 24:13 Road to Emmaus

13 And they went away and reported it to the others, but they did not believe them either. **(Unbelievable)**

Hey they are just like us. Sometimes it takes a lot to get us to believe, until it sinks in our thick head.

14 And afterward He appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at the table; and He reproached them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who had seen Him after He had risen.

1st thing in this Gospel after the Resurrection, He rebukes the disciples for unbelief.

15 And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.

16 "He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

17 "And these signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak with new tongues;

18 they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly poison, it shall not hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

Jesus commands his Disciples:

V15 Go into all the World

V16 Baptize

V17 Signs that will accompany the believers:

- A. Cast out demons
- B. Speak with new tongues
- C. Lay hands and heal sick
- D. Pick up serpents (Kentucky, Appalachia.)
- E. Deadly liquids won't hurt you.

Unless God speaks to you directly, don't do snakes or poison. People that have tried this have died.

19 So then, when the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.

20 And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them, and confirmed the word by the signs that followed. And they promptly reported all these instructions to Peter and his companions. And after that, Jesus Himself sent out through them from east to west the sacred and imperishable proclamation of eternal salvation.