

**We live in a broken world.
It's always been broken.
Murder, Torture.
Addiction, War.
Prostitution.
Child Abuse.
Corruption.
Alcoholism.
Betrayal.
Suicide.**

**Everybody
you see
needs
Christ**



Introducing Christ to Others

Disillusioned, Hurting, Rich, Poor, Bitter, or Honest.

Over coffee you can ask: "You come from
a religious background?
Or not so much?

What do
you think
about
Jesus ?

What if we got together next week & talked
about what he was *really like* instead of
what people *say* He was like?

**Knowing the
Bible is one
thing.**

**Knowing
its author is
Something
else.**



Saying “I’ve sinned too much to be saved..”



Is like saying “I’m too dirty to take a shower.”

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Shortest Gospel in NT

the GOSPEL
of MARK

Mark 1:1 In the beginning of the
GOSPEL of ***Jesus Christ...***

The Good News

Jews always
had plenty
of ***Bad*** News!

***Faith, Hope, Love, Peace, Salvation, Joy,
Confidence, Friendship, Blessings, Prayer.***

Mark 1:2 As it is written in Isaiah the prophet



**Mark 1:3 The voice of one crying in the,
wilderness. “Make ready the way of the
Lord, *make His paths straight.*” (Isa 40:3)**

John the *Baptizer* *prepared the way*



Mark 1:4
John the
Baptist
appeared in
the wilderness
*[Wasn't a big
city preacher]*

Preaching a
baptism of
repentance
**for the
forgiveness
of sins.**

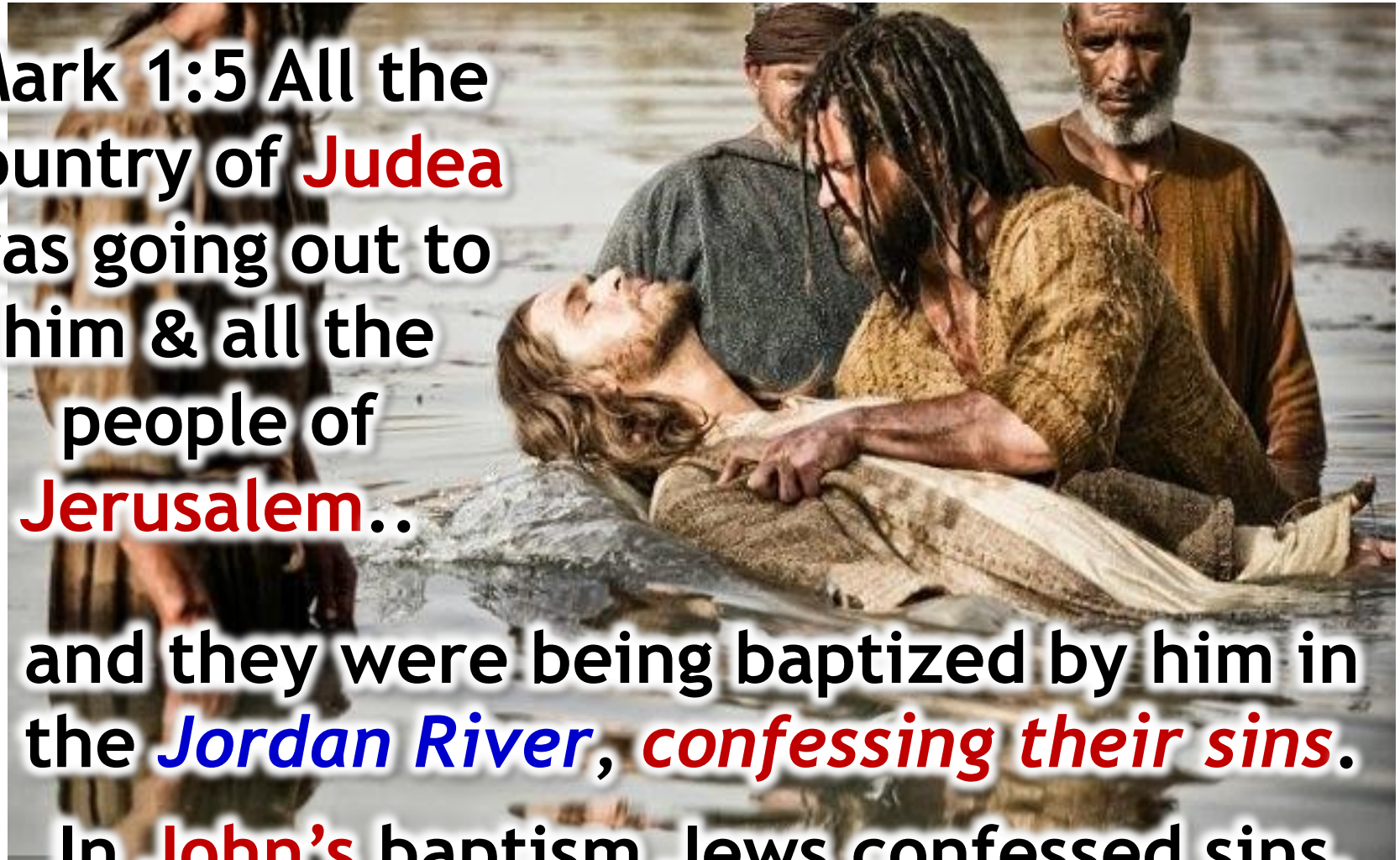
What does word What was this
Baptism *mean* ? Baptism *for* ?

John the *Baptizer* prepared the people

Mark 1:5 All the country of **Judea** was going out to him & all the people of **Jerusalem..**

and they were being baptized by him in the *Jordan River*, **confessing their sins.**

— In **John's** baptism Jews confessed sins.
In *Christ's baptism* we confess? (Mat 10:32)



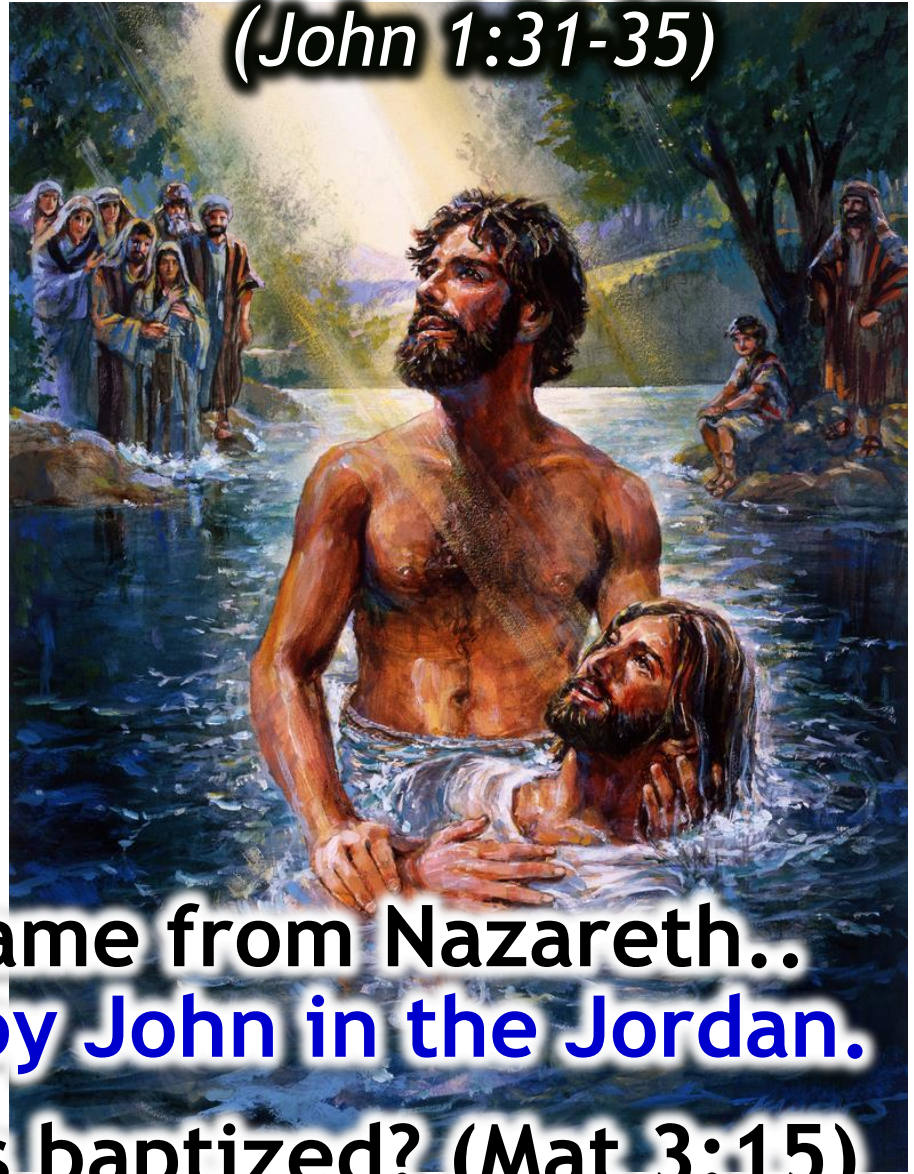
Mark 1:7 One is coming who is **mightier than I** & I am not fit to untie ..his sandals.

Mark 1:7 He will baptize you with **the Holy Spirit.**
[Acts 1:8; 2:1-11]

Mark 1:9 Jesus came from Nazareth..
And was baptized by John in the Jordan.

- a) **Why** was Jesus baptized? (Mat 3:15)
- b) **What** did this show John ? (John 1:33-34)

John Introduced **Jesus**
(John 1:31-35)



Temptation

Mark 1:13 He was
in the wilderness
forty days being
*tempted
by Satan*



(Heb 4:15b) Tempted in all things as we are,
yet without sin. [Wow, is that like **You & I ?**]

(Heb 4:15a) What **good** thing did it do for Jesus ?



Mark 1:14
After John had
been taken
into custody,
Jesus came
into Galilee..

Why was John
imprisoned?
[John 6:18-19]

Jesus is The King

Mark 1:14-15 Jesus came into Galilee preaching & saying, "The time is fulfilled..
the kingdom of God is at hand."

Judean
kingdom was
destroyed
586 BC.

Jesus was born to be *King*. (John 18:37)

Mk 9:1 *Kingdom* to Come with *Power*;

Acts 1:8 *Power* to come with *Spirit*;

Acts 2:1-4 *Spirit* came on *Pentecost* AD 33

It *existed* in the 1st Century (Col 1:13)

Jesus the leader of Men

Mark 1:16 As He was going along by **the Sea of Galilee**, He saw **Simon** and **Andrew**.. casting a net in the sea; for they were fishermen.

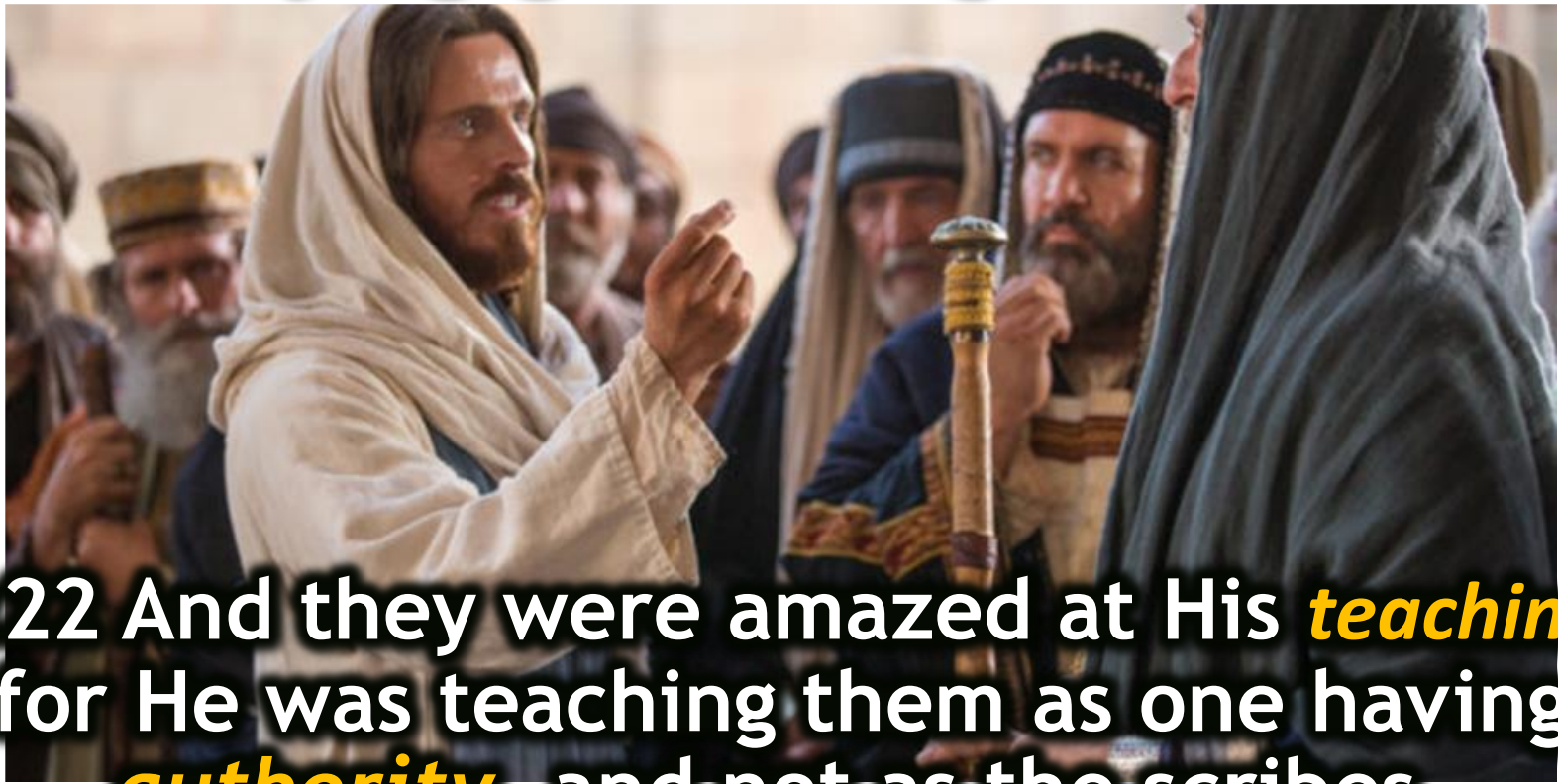


Mark 1:17-18 Jesus said to them, "**Follow Me, & I will make you become fishers of men.**"
v.19-20 **James** and **John** are mending nets.

Invest in People. **Invite** them. **Mentor** them.

Jesus has All Authority (Mat 28:18)

Mark 1:21 And they went into **Capernaum**;
& immediately on the Sabbath He entered
the synagogue and began to teach.



1:22 And they were amazed at His **teaching**;
for He was teaching them as one having
authority, and not as the scribes.

Mat 28:18 Jesus has **ALL** Authority – heaven & earth

Jesus is *Compassionate*



1:23-28 Demon Possessed



1:40 -42 Leper



1:29-31 Peter's Mom-in-law

How About *Us*?