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**Message Series:** What Really Matters

**Today's Message:** The Essential Elements of Jesus' Gospel, Pt. 1

Hebrews 2:1, 9, 10    Hebrews 3:12-14    Acts 14:19-22

## 1. The Foundation

◆ The Gospel of Mark was written first and clearly reveals Jesus' gospel.

◆ Mark 1:14-17

**The Gospel:** The Good News About Jesus: WHO Jesus Is... WHAT Jesus Did...

HOW Jesus fulfills all Scripture... HOW Jesus Calls Us to Respond to Him

**WARNING:** In our world today people package the Good News in an attractive way: Without calling them to ACT on it.

Mark 1:14-17

**Notice:** In Mark 1—we're told what Jesus actually said when He preached the gospel

Mark 1:15 (ESV) "... Jesus came... proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, ..."

## 2. What Did Jesus Say?

**The Major Declarative Statement:**

1) Mark 1:15 "The Kingdom of God is Here..."

The Kingdom of God: "The restoration of God's rule over all things."

2) Three Imperatives: Repent of Sin... Believe the Gospel... Follow Jesus

**Notice:** Jesus' declaration that "the Kingdom of God is Here" Demands A Response.

**Imperative:** "A call to Action" - These 3 Actions: Repent, Believe, Follow, Are A Must To Be Saved.

Luke 4:43

**Three Truths:** 1) God's Kingdom is essential to Jesus' Gospel.

2) Jesus' call to "follow" is not just a decision of the mind, but to live out an entirely new life.

3) To leave out Gods Kingdom and "follow Me" fails to lead people to become maturing and multiplying disciples.

• Many today are "paralyzed by grace"; they don't know how the Gospel Empowers them as they deny themselves, take up their cross, and follow Jesus.