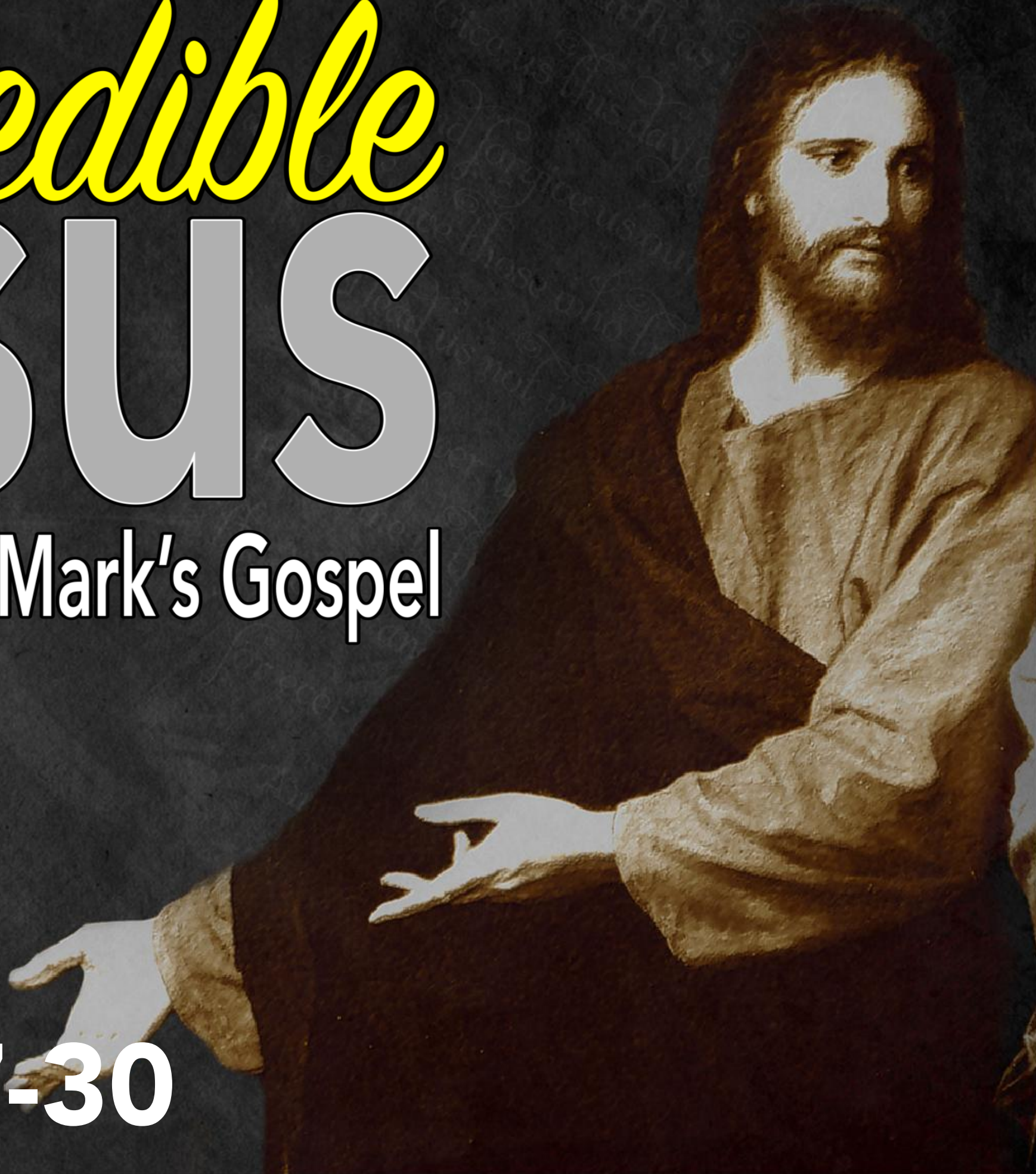


# The *Incredible* Jesus

A Study Through Mark's Gospel

**Mark 8:27-30**





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## Additional Evidence For Petrine Influence:

- Close relationship with Peter. (1 Peter 5:13; Acts 12:12)
- The Petrine Inclusio beginning at 1:16 and ending at 16:7.
- Peter is mentioned far more times in the Gospel account than any of the other Apostles.



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- Tradition and internal evidence points to this Gospel being focused on Christians in Rome before 70AD.
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## **1:1 – 8:21**

### **Ministry In Galilee**

- John the Baptist Introduced (1:1-8)
- A New King Arrives (1:9-3:6)
- A New Kingdom Is Near (3:7-6:6)
- A New Order Is Coming (6:7-8:21)

## **8:22 – 10:52**

### **Road To Jerusalem**

- Blind Man Healed (8:22-26)
- Peter's Confession & 1st Prediction of Death (8:27-9:29)
- 2nd Prediction of Death (9:30-10:31)
- 3rd Prediction of Death (10:32-10:45)
- Blind Man Healed (10:46-52)

## **11:1 – 16:8**

### **Jerusalem**

- Suffering Servant Explained (11-15)
- The Garden, Betrayal, & Crucifixion (14:27-15:47)
- Resurrection & Shorter Ending (16:1-8)

## **16:9-16:20**

### **Disputed Longer Ending Of Mark's Gospel**



# **The Messianic Messenger** Mark 1:1-8

Mark's only personal statement is made to describe what can be found within this account. (1)

The Old Testament prophets foretold of this special messenger that would precede the Messiah. (2,3)

John is identified as this messenger, his teachings are explained, and his impact is seen. (4-6)

John recognizes and accepts of his place compared to the one whom he was preparing the way for. (7,8)

## **Application Questions:**

Am I willing and prepared to speak as the voice crying out in the wilderness?

Am I willing to speak with the heart of a servant?