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## Mark - A Failure in His Ministry

*"And when he realized this, he (Peter) went to the house of Mary, the mother of John who was also called Mark, where many were gathered together and were praying" (Acts 12:12).*

It seems that home of John Mark was a great hiding place and a great retreat for those early disciples. Many great expositors believe this was the place where the disciples gathered together in the upper room during the last supper. It could have also been the place nearby that the Lord prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane. The family of John Mark were open to the Gospel in every way and manner. They were there.

John Mark was twenty years of age when Jesus was crucified. John Mark's parents were devout followers of Christ and John Mark was among them. He talked with the disciples, prayed with them, and was even the one who was in the garden when someone grabbed his cloak as he fled. John Mark possibly talked and taught teens during the missionary trip with Paul and Barnabas as they met with the adults.

John Mark was a next generation follower of Christ. He had potential and possibility but something happened. We are not given the details but something *"fell in"* to John Mark. He left for home leaving Paul and Barnabas in a fix. He returned to Jerusalem. John Mark left the apostle Paul and his uncle Barnabas in a lurch; he abandoned his calling.

It reminds me of scripture found in Psalm 78:9, that tells us, *"The sons of Ephraim were archers equipped with bows, yet they turned back in the day of battle."*

What is wrong with us? I believe it is not that we have so much potential, training, knowledge, or that we have so much at our disposal. I believe that we forget that it is not our potential that God is looking at, but His potential through us. We stop abiding in Him. We are more becoming and interested in success instead of faithfulness. We don't say it but we act it.

When we discover that God is not asking for success but for faithfulness then we will stop in our tracks and repent of our independence from God and return. Faithfulness is stepping with two feet on the path of obedience by prayer and faith. Prayer is dependence on Christ and faith is saying "yes" to Christ.

We have training. We have knowledge. We know more the Word perhaps, than many have ever known. We have so much at our disposal. Our bows are ready and our arrows are finely shaped. Our prayers are so eloquent. We put on great appearances. Yet, in the day of battle, when the pressure is on, when the sneering begins at school or at the job, for fear of ridicule, or lack of show of success we turn back. We leave the work to others while the world is heading to destruction. We hurl up the white flag of surrender.

There was a farmer sitting on the porch of his small farm house. He had his back against his rocking chair and his feet propped up on a bucket that he had filled with water. Dangling into that bucket of water was a fishing line. His neighbor came over and said, *"Hank, there ain't any fish in there. You're not going to catch any fish in that bucket."*

Hank kind of shifted the straw to the other side of his cheek and said, *"I know, but it's so convenient."* So convenient, so sad, but that is what is taking place in a lot of God's people today. Our love for God has waned and now we are in the desert of wilderness. No fish, no calling, just sitting it out by the beach, the mountain, in our houses, just waiting for the undertaker. (cont'd next page)

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But that isn't the end of John Mark. I believe that Peter found Mark and brought him back. I Peter 5:13 tells us that, "*She who is in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings, and so does my son, Mark.*" Peter, the one who had denied Christ three times, the one who failed himself, disciples John Mark, brought him back and calls him "*My Son*". John Mark was brought back and wrote the Book by his own name right after the Book of Matthew. Hallelujah for the King!



**SENIOR ADULTS /  
FRONTRUNNERS**

- February 7** Free movie @ 9:30 AM  
Graham Cinema
- February 12** Sr. Adult **Valentine's** Breakfast  
8:30 AM, Western Steak House
- February 14** Free movie @ 9:30 AM  
Paramount Theater
- February 18** Crossroad Ministry @ 6 PM  
Mex-Am Restaurant, Graham
- February 19** Prayer Warrior teams & visitation  
9 AM in KMBC Prayer Room



Kinnett Worship Choir practice  
Sundays @ 5 PM - Wednesdays @ 7:45 PM

**“God For Us!”**

Join us as we practice our Easter musical  
Sundays @ 5 PM & Wednesdays @ 7:45 PM

Kidz Worship Choir practice - Sundays @ 5 PM

Teens for Christ Worship Choir practice  
Wednesdays @ 6 PM



**MEN'S MINISTRY**

Meetings will resume Saturday, February 9  
at Al Harrison's residence  
343 Baldwin Road, Apt. D2-1, Burlington

Breakfast 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM  
Bible Study 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Come for a time of fellowship together to  
praise & worship our Lord Jesus Christ



**OLYMPIAN MINISTRY**

**Highlight Jesus - Highlight Others**

Service: Senior Saints

Reach out to a senior saint with a card or visit

**February 9, 2-4 PM**

Women of Faith Class and children grades 1-6 will join for an afternoon of encouragement. Bring a snack and drink to share and a favorite board game. This will be a great way for your child to be encouraged and connect.

**February 13 - Valentine activities**

**February 27 - Discipleship Measure Up**

Everyone is challenged to have a new verse memorized.

**March 13 - Camp deposit of \$20 due**

Camp dates are June 24-28, Grades 2nd - 6<sup>th</sup>

Balance of \$75 is due June 2

*A merry heart doeth  
good like medicine  
Proverbs 17:22*



## LOOKING AHEAD



- February 9** Women of Faith SS class and children Grades 1-6 meet 2-4 PM in the Fellowship Hall for an afternoon of encouragement.
- February 12** Sr. Adults Valentine's Breakfast 8:30 AM, Western Steak House
- February 16** Valentine's Banquet @ 5 PM Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$12.50 per person
- February 17** Gideon Sunday @ KMBC  
Bob Sturgill will be speaking in the AM service



Groundhog Day

### SERVICES AT KMBC

- Sunday School for all ages - 9:45 AM  
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:55 AM  
Sunday Evening Worship - 6:00 PM  
Wednesday Family Bible Study/Prayer - 6:45 PM  
Wednesday Night Word of Life Clubs - 6:45 PM

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



Gaynelle Tidwell	02/02
Keith Crabtree	02/04
Carol Wilson	02/06
Sheila Glass	02/07
Willie Lane	02/07
Mike Fearnow	02/13
William Stewart	02/13
Nora Brooks	02/14
Doug Chanco	02/14
Matthew Fearnow	02/14
Jack Leonard	02/17
Virginia Shields	02/19
Eddie Gibson	02/21
Robert Cook	02/25
Brittany Christmas	02/26
Jennifer Rudd	02/26
Ronnie Bennett	02/27
Logan Barnes	02/28

## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES



Jack & Grace Leonard	02/07
Christopher & Amanda Long	02/18

## UPCOMING EVENTS

VALENTINE'S BANQUET  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16  
5 PM -- Fellowship Hall

Bring your "Valentine Sweetie" for a night of fun, fellowship and delicious food! Dinner will be catered by Homestead.

Choose from 2 meats, 2 salads, 3 vegetables, rolls, 2 desserts & drink. Cost is \$12.50 per person. Sign Up in the Welcome Center.

### KMBC 2019 MISSION TRIP

The team will be heading to St. Lucia  
July 20-27

If you would like to help a member of the mission team with their expenses, please write their name and amount of your contribution on your offering envelope.

