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1. THE BAPTISM OF THE SERVANT (vs. 2-11)

The Baptism of Jesus

- A. He identified with <u>John the Baptist</u>
- B. He identified with sinful humanity
- C. He identified himself as part of the Trinity

2. THE TEMPTATION OF THE SERVANT (vs. 12-13)

3. THE PREACHING OF THE SERVANT (vs. 14-15)

MARK

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KEY THEMES

The ultimate purpose and theme of Mark is to present and defend Jesus' universal call to discipleship.

MARK 8:34

"And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.'"

KEY VERSE

SYNOPSIS:

As the narrative unfolds, Mark categorizes his main audience as either followers or opponents of Jesus. The outline demonstrates that Mark's effort is to narrate the identity and teaching of Jesus. This fact implies that discipleship for Mark is essentially a relationship with Jesus, not merely following a certain code of conduct. Fellowship with Jesus marks the heart of the disciples' life and this fellowship includes trusting him, confessing him, following his teaching and being shaped by a relationship to him.