"So What's the Good News?"

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1 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

"And He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation." (Mark 16:15)

5 And all the country of Judea was going out to him, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were being baptized by him in the Jordan River, confessing their sins.

Mark 1:7-8

7 And he was preaching and saying, "After me One is coming who is mightier than I... 8 I baptized you with water, but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

"Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bondservant, and being made in the likeness of men."

(Philippians 2:5-7)

10 Immediately coming up out of the water, He saw the heavens opening, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon Him; and a voice came out of the heavens: "You are My beloved Son, in You I am well pleased."

12 Immediately the Spirit impelled Him to go out into the wilderness. And He was in the wilderness forty days being tempted by Satan.

15 [Jesus said,] "The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Mark 1:35-38

35 In the early morning while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house, and went away to a secluded place, and was praying there. 36 Simon and his companions searched for Him; 37 they found Him, and said to Him, "Everyone is looking for you." 38 He said to them "Let us go somewhere else to the towns nearby, so that I may preach there also; for that is what I came

Mark 4:37-38, 40

37 And there arose a fierce gale of wind, and the waves were breaking over the boat so much that the boat was already filling up. 38 Jesus Himself was in the stern, asleep on a cushion; they woke Him and said to Him, "Teacher do you not care that we are perishing?" ... 40 And He said to them "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

"For the kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power." (1 Corinthians 4:20)

"I can do nothing on My own initiative. As I hear, I judge, and My judgement is just because I do not seek My own will but the will of Him who sent me." (John 5:30)

Mark 14:35-36

35 And He went a little beyond them and fell to the ground and began to pray that if it were possible the hour might pass Him by. 36 And He was saying "Abba Father! All things are possible for You; remove this cup from Me; yet not what I will, but what you will."