

The Gospel According to...*Mark!*

I. Timeline reminder

- a. “Wartime Gospel”
- b. c. 65-70 CE

II. Evangelists

- a. genre: “Good news”
- b. *from* Aramaic (oral) *to* Greek (written) [Mark 5:41; 7:34-35]
- c. Not 1st-generation eyewitnesses (Acts 4:13; Luke 1:1-4)
- d. Criteria for Canonization: Orthodoxy, Apostolicity, Consensus (*The Canon of the New Testament: Its Origin, Development, Significance* by Bruce Metzger)
- e. History vs. Theology
 - i. Mark 14:12 - Jesus and disciples *eat* Passover lamb;
 - ii. John 19:14 - Jesus *IS* the Passover lamb
 - iii. Film: *Big Fish*.

III. Markan threads

- a. Food rules (Mark 7:19; Gal 2:11-12; Acts 10:14-15)
- b. Tree People (Mark 8:22-25)
- c. Anger (Mark 3:1-6)