

One Thing Lacking

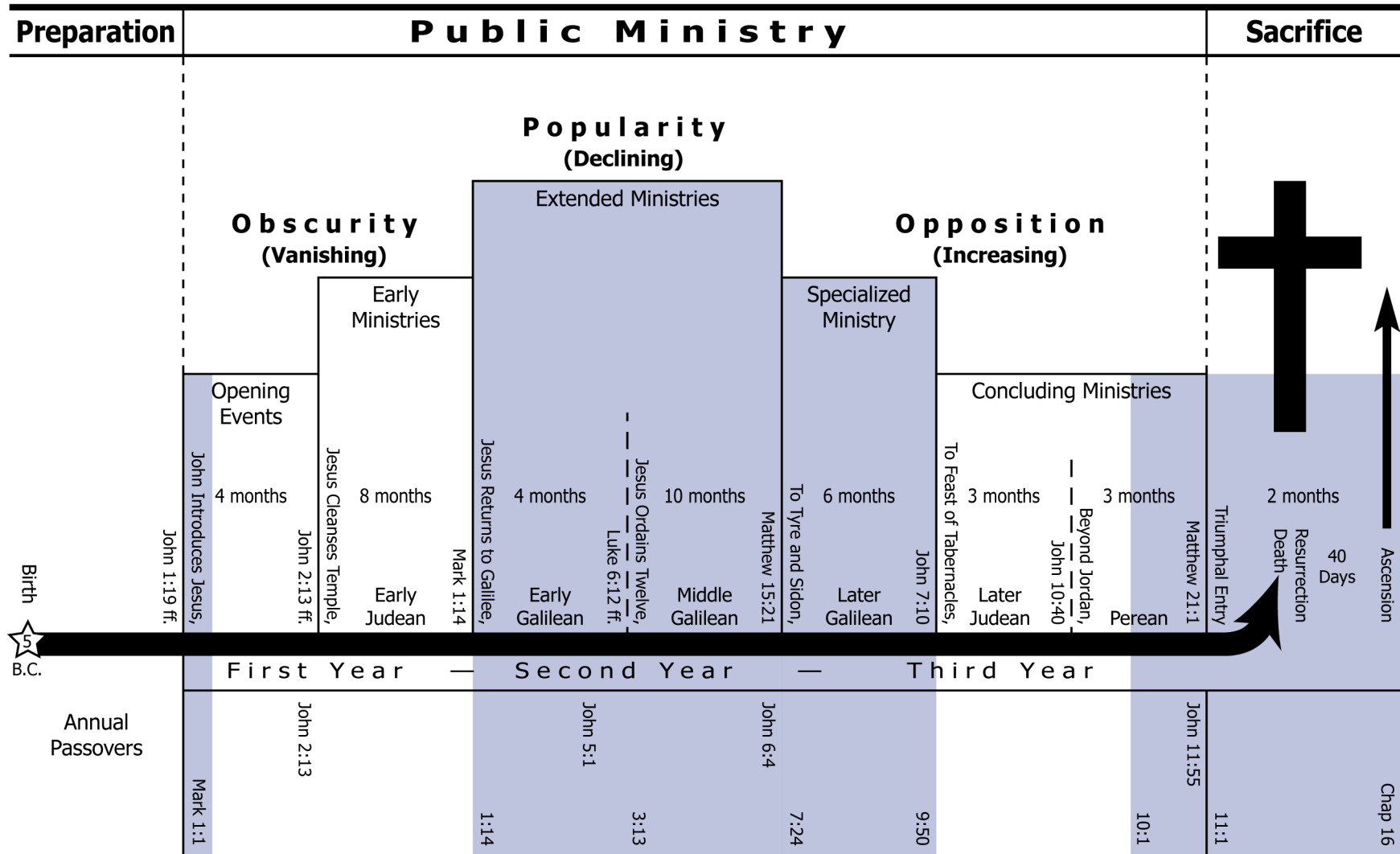
Mark 10:13-45

Lesson 14



The Life of Christ

Showing coverage by Mark (shaded)



Outline of Mark

- ▶ The beginning: Mark 1:1-13
- ▶ The ministry of Jesus: Mark 1:14-10:52
Key verse: Mark 8:29
- ▶ The work of Jesus: Mark 11:1-16:8
Key verse: Mark 10:45
- ▶ The continuation: Mark 16:9-20

A Primer on Discipleship

- ▶ Mark 8:29 – Who do you say that I am?
- ▶ What does it mean to confess Christ?
- ▶ A three chapter primer
 - Mark 8:31
 - Mark 9:30-32
 - Mark 10:32-34
- ▶ The cross now
- ▶ The Kingdom of God

First Announcement

Mark 8:31

- ▶ The way of salvation – following Christ
- ▶ The Transfiguration – the coming glory
- ▶ Impotence before the demon

Second Announcement

Mark 9:30-32

- ▶ Greatness is to receive a child in Christ's name
- ▶ Greatness is to be servant of all
- ▶ A serious warning – eternal hell
- ▶ A lesson from marriage
- ▶ A lesson from children
- ▶ The lesson of the rich young ruler
- ▶ The expectation of a follower of Christ

Third Announcement

Mark 10:32-34

- ▶ Greatness in the Kingdom of God by suffering
- ▶ Greatness in the Kingdom of God by serving
- ▶ The example of Christ – Mark 10:45
- ▶ The healing of blind Bartimaeus

The Second Announcement Reviewed

Mark 9:30-10:12

- ▶ Treatment of a child determines your destiny
 - Receive a child in Christ's name = receive Christ
 - Hinder a child of Christ's = eternal damnation
- ▶ Last of all and servant of all
- ▶ A lesson from marriage
 - God's will from the beginning
 - The hardness of your heart

A Kingdom of Children

- ▶ Hindering the children
- ▶ The Kingdom of God is composed of children
- ▶ We enter the Kingdom of God as children
- ▶ “Act your age!”
- ▶ Jesus blessed them

What must I do to inherit eternal life?

- ▶ A rich young ruler – seeks eternal life
- ▶ A good teacher
- ▶ A satisfied law
- ▶ Jesus loved him
 - 1 John 4:19
 - Romans 8:38-39
- ▶ One thing lacking – faith in Christ
 - Trusting in riches
 - Matthew 6:24

What must I do to inherit eternal life?

- ▶ Not merely hard, but impossible
- ▶ Disciples astonished
- ▶ The issue is saving faith – impossible for man
- ▶ The answer: Man cannot, but God can.

The Blessings of Salvation

Mark 10:28-31

- ▶ No loss to follow Christ
- ▶ The blessings are real and now
- ▶ The blessings are eternal – the Kingdom of God
- ▶ The first will be last and the last will be first

Third announcement (10:35-52)

- ▶ On the road to Jerusalem
- ▶ Final announcement
 - Must suffer . . . 1st announcement
 - Delivered to the hands of men . . . 2nd announcement
 - Delivered to Jews and Gentiles . . . 3rd announcement
 - God's hand – will of all men
- ▶ The disciples seek eternal glory
- ▶ Jesus re-focuses them on His cup and baptism
- ▶ Glory by the sovereign grace of God

A lesson on greatness

- ▶ The disciples are “greatly displeased”
- ▶ Human greatness - lord over one another
- ▶ Christian greatness – servant of all (10:43-44)
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 DOULOS
- ▶ The capstone: Mark 10:45

Three lessons on discipleship

- ▶ Each begins with the death and resurrection of Christ
- ▶ Each exposes the weakness of the disciples
- ▶ Each includes the necessity of faith in Christ

One Thing Lacking

- ▶ Forsake all, take up your cross; follow Christ.
- ▶ “With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible”