

# Revision: God's Kingdom (St Mark's G.)

Use the following 28 questions to write 28 revision points about the Kingdom of God.

- 1 Jesus began his public ministry by preaching that
  - A the Kingdom of God is close at hand.
  - B only the Jews would be saved.
  - C the Kingdom would appear in the future.
  - D the Romans were to be vanquished.
- 2 The 'territory' of the Kingdom lies
  - A in Judea.
  - B in the hearts of people.
  - C in Galilee.
  - D in Palestine as a whole.
- 3 In order to accept the Kingdom of God
  - A people need to become Jewish.
  - B people need to repent and believe.
  - C people need to have done many good works.
  - D people need to attend a place of worship.
- 4 The Kingdom of God is a reality
  - A only at the end of time.
  - B only in heaven.
  - C only on earth.
  - D where God's love abounds.
- 5 Citizens of the Kingdom of God ought to be
  - A peacemakers.
  - B generous.
  - C compassionate.
  - D all of the above.
- 6 The growth of God's Kingdom meets great opposition because
  - A God is not all-powerful.
  - B God is not all-loving.
  - C the ways of the world are often evil.
  - D people do not deserve to receive it.
- 7 Which of the following best expresses the wish to see God's Kingdom flourish?
  - A The Lord's Prayer
  - B Ten Commandments
  - C Hail Mary
  - D Sign of the Cross
- 8 What is the basic message of the Parable of the Sower?
  - A the Kingdom of God will fail
  - B it will grow in spite of setbacks
  - C evil is ever-present
  - D the Kingdom of God is imperfect
- 9 In the interpretation of this parable given later, what does the seed represent?
  - A the Jews
  - B the hearts of people
  - C God's message
  - D good works
- 10 And what do the thorns represent?
  - A persecution
  - B cares of the world, earthly desires
  - C Satan's influence
  - D none of the above
- 11 Which of these Parables is found only in Mark's Gospel?
  - A Parable of the Lamp
  - B Parable of the Sower
  - C Parable of the Seed Growing by Itself
  - D Parable of the Mustard Seed
- 12 Which parable gets across that the Kingdom grows by God's power alone?
  - A Parable of the Lamp
  - B Parable of the Sower
  - C Parable of the Seed Growing by Itself
  - D Parable of the Mustard Seed
- 13 Which of the following parables uses exaggeration for its effect?
  - A Parable of the Lamp
  - B Parable of the Sower
  - C Parable of the Seed Growing by Itself
  - D Parable of the Mustard Seed
- 14 Which of the following parables has a veiled criticism of the religious groups?
  - A Parable of the Lamp
  - B Parable of the Sower
  - C Parable of the Seed Growing by Itself
  - D Parable of the Mustard Seed

**15** According to Mark, the disciples

- A** always understood the parables first time.
- B** asked Jesus to explain their meaning.
- C** didn't need to listen to what they knew already.
- D** spoke out their own parables.

**17** Which parable gets across the fact that gentiles will be drawn into God's Kingdom?

- A** Parable of the Lamp
- B** Parable of the Sower
- C** Parable of the Seed Growing by Itself
- D** Parable of the Mustard Seed

**19** What miracle is recorded immediately after the parables of chapter four?

- A** calming of the storm
- B** healing of the paralysed man
- C** healing of Simon's mother-in-law
- D** raising of Jairus' daughter

**21** '*... whoever does not receive the Kingdom of God like a child ...*'

- A** will be condemned.
- B** will never enter it.
- C** will need to repent.
- D** will find it hard to be saved.

**23** To be perfect the man was invited to do what?

- A** share with the poor
- B** give his wealth to the poor and follow Jesus
- C** keep more strictly to the commandments
- D** become a Pharisee

**25** What striking image did Jesus use to show how difficult the salvation of the rich will be?

- A** thorns among wheat
- B** trampling over rocky ground
- C** camel passing through the eye of a needle
- D** house with no foundations

**27** What led Jesus to say to the scribe that he was not far from the Kingdom of God?

- A** the scribe had approved of Jesus' answer
- B** the scribe had asked a clever question
- C** the scribe followed the Torah strictly
- D** the scribe was well-educated

**16** 'Listen, anyone who has ...

- A** understanding.'
- B** ears to hear.'
- C** ability.'
- D** a mind of his own.'

**18** Which of the following could be read as an *allegory* - requiring interpretation?

- A** Parable of the Lamp
- B** Parable of the Sower
- C** Parable of the Seed Growing by Itself
- D** Parable of the Mustard Seed

**20** About parables, what is not true?

- A** they were common teaching aids
- B** they use simple images and ideas
- C** they relate to the Kingdom of God
- D** they have no meaning today

**22** What advice did Jesus first give to the rich man seeking eternal life?

- A** about the prophets
- B** about loving your neighbour
- C** about regular worship
- D** about the commandments

**24** What stopped him becoming a disciple?

- A** money
- B** hardness of heart
- C** attachment to money
- D** fear of persecution

**26** A scribe asked what was the greatest commandment of all. Jesus' reply?

- A** honour your father and mother
- B** love people
- C** love God and neighbour as yourself
- D** keep holy the Sabbath

**28** Jesus would have differed most with the authorities over the meaning of what?

- A** love
- B** God
- C** neighbour
- D** self