

## Mark 1:14-20

### Context Not Commentaries: the KEY to Biblical Interpretation And Context Includes Correlation

Peter and Andrew, James and John as Believers Are Called By Christ  
To a Special Kind of Full-Time Discipleship Mark 1:14-20

**Now after John [the Baptizing Jewish Prophet] had been taken into custody,** Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the Gospel of God, and saying, the time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the Gospel.

As He was going along by the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon, and Andrew-the brother of Simon, casting a net in the sea; for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men. Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. Going on a little farther, He saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were also in the boat mending the nets. Immediately He called them and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and went away to follow Him.

Peter and Andrew and John<sup>+</sup> Come to Christ in Faith John 1:29-51

**He [John the Baptizing Jewish Prophet] saw Jesus coming to him and said [about Jesus] Behold [He is] the Lamb of God** who takes away the sin of the world...

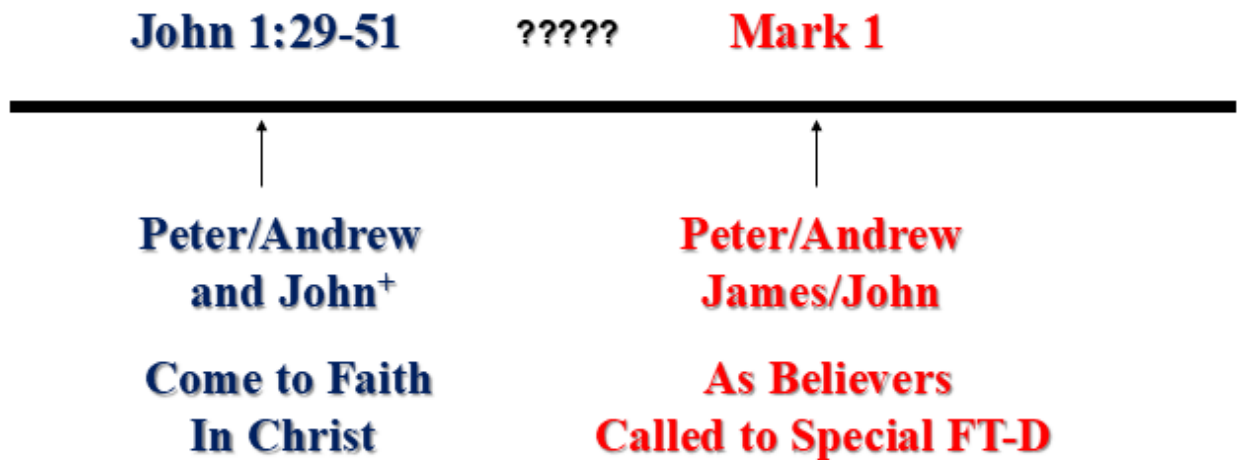
...this is the One who baptizes in the Holy Spirit. I myself have seen, and have testified that this is the Son of God.

**Again the next day John [the Baptizing Jewish Prophet] was standing with two of his disciples and he looked at Jesus as He walked and said Behold [He is] the Lamb of God!**

The two disciples heard him speak and they followed Jesus. And Jesus turned and saw them following, and said to them, what do you seek? They said to Him, Rabbi (which translated means Teacher), where are You staying? He said to them, come, and you will see. So they came and saw where He was staying; and they stayed with Him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. One of the two who heard John *speak* and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He found first his own brother Simon and \*said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which translated means Christ). He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, You are Simon the son of John; you shall be called Cephas (which is translated Peter). The next day He purposed to go into Galilee,

and He found Philip. And Jesus said to him, follow Me. Now Philip was from Bethsaida, of the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him we have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and *also* the Prophets wrote-Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph. Nathanael said to him, can any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip said to him, come and see. Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him and said of him, behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit! Nathanael said to Him, how do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you. Nathanael answered Him, Rabbi, You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel. Jesus answered and said to him, because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You will see greater things than these. And He said to him, truly, truly, I say to you, you will see the heavens opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.

## Correlating Mark 1 and John 1



## **Correct Correlation Combusts Counterfeit Conflicts And Often are Resolved by Timelines**

1: Romans 4/Galatians 3

Correlates perfectly with James 2 (as Two Distinct But Related Events)

2: Luke 2

Correlates perfectly with Matthew 2 (as Two Distinct But Related Events)

3: Matthew 21

Correlates perfectly with John 2 (As Two Distinct But Related Events)

3: Luke 24

Correlates perfectly with Acts 1 (as Two Distinct But Related Events)

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**As Presbyterian Pastor/Speaker Donald Grey Barnhouse Famously Said**

Most people's Bible Qs are answered in the next verse or the one after that. However, with no disrespect to Dr. B, we must also look beyond the immediate context for parallel statements not immediately adjacent to the passage we are reading/studying. BECAUSE: If We Fail to Correlate Parallel Passages We May "Run" With One Passage In Ways That Contradict Others-Which By Definition Means We Have Misinterpreted One or Both of Them.

RX: Read Sentences/Paragraphs and Units of Thought Not Just Isolated Verses Out of Context...And Even Then Before You Go Too Far With What You Think You Know From That...Compare What You "Know" with Any/All Parallel Passages.