

## Most Important Event in Mark's Gospel

Suffering of Jesus	Death of Jesus	Resurrection of Jesus	Teachings of Jesus	Miracles of Jesus
<p><b><u>Suffering</u></b> plays a <b>major role in the importance of Jesus' life</b> because Christians see the suffering of Jesus as part of <b>God's plan to save the human race</b>.</p> <p>Jesus could have <b>avoided suffering</b> but chose not to do so</p> <p>Jesus' <b>suffering expresses his humanity and obedience to God</b>. He is a role model</p> <p>Jesus' suffering and death is the <b>ultimate sacrifice</b> no other sacrifice can compare</p> <p>Jesus' suffering and death <b>atones for sins</b>. It is a <b>sign of God's love</b></p>	<p><b><u>Death</u></b> of Jesus is a <b>sign of God's love</b>.</p> <p><b>Part of God's plan to save the human race.</b></p> <p><b>Fulfils OT prophecies.</b></p> <p><b>Jesus often spoke about his death – expected to die.</b></p> <p><b>Gives people hope</b> when reflecting on his suffering and death</p> <p>Jesus' death was the <b>perfect sacrifice; enough to save all people</b> thus <b>comforting for Christians</b> giving them <b>strength and courage</b>.</p> <p><b>Removes the barrier of sin and enables Christians to grow closer to God.</b></p>	<p><b><u>Jesus rising</u></b> from the dead is the <b>most important event in the Gospel</b></p> <p>It shows that <b>God is more powerful than sin and death</b>.</p> <p>The resurrection <b>shows that Jesus was who he claimed to be</b>, the <i>Son of God</i> and <i>promised Messiah</i>.</p> <p>The resurrection is an important event because it <b>gives hope to Christians</b> as it <b>proves that there is life after death</b>.</p>	<p>The <b><u>teachings</u></b> of Jesus are important events in Mark's gospel as they inform Christians about the <b>true nature</b> of the <b>KOG</b> (eg) <i>Mustard Seed - Universal nature of the Kingdom</i> and <b>give guidance on how to live a good life</b>. (eg) <i>Widow's Offering - Right attitude to money &amp; wealth</i></p> <p>Jesus was a <b>great teacher and preacher</b>, he always <b>led by example</b>. (eg) <i>Greatest Command - Love God &amp; Love Neighbour</i></p> <p><b>Although</b> Jesus' teachings were written <b>2000 years</b> ago they are <b>still relevant and can be adapted to suit any era and continue to guide Christians</b>.</p>	<p>The <b><u>miracles</u></b> of Jesus are important events as they <b>reveal his identity</b>. (eg) <i>Messiah, Saviour</i> etc</p> <p><b>Healing Miracles</b> show he was <b>willing to help anyone</b>. He was <b>compassionate and caring</b> to those who were <b>weak and vulnerable</b> in society (eg) <i>Blind Bartimaeus</i> This <b>remains a major Christian concern</b>.</p> <p>Jesus had the ability to <b>overpower nature</b> (eg) <i>Calming Storm</i></p> <p><b>Teachings can be misunderstood</b>. Some are <b>difficult to interpret</b>. Miracles are more obvious.</p>