

**“The Greatest Story Every Told”  
S.O.A.P. Bible Study**

**S=Scripture:** Mark 1:1-8

**O=Observation:** After carefully reading this text, answer the following questions: If you have a study bible, read through the introduction. Who is Mark? Who is his audience? How does Mark start his gospel? Why might his writings be called “good news”? What is the difference between “good news” and “good advice”? According to Mark 1:1-6, how is John the Baptist described? What was his message? Read Mark 1:9-11. Which members of the Godhead show up here? Why is that significant? What did God say to Jesus?

**A=Application:** How does this text adjust your understanding of “gospel”? How does your life reflect that you have been given “good news”? What is good about the good news that you have received?

**P=Prayer:** Write out a prayer based on your meditation on this passage: