1—The Time Has Come

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INTRO:

I. → Mark 1:9-15

9 At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 Just as **Jesus was coming** up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the **Spirit descending** on him like a dove. 11 And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

- → 12 At once the **Spirit sent him** out into the **wilderness**, 13 and he was in the **wilderness** forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the **wild animals**, and angels attended him.
- → 14 After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the **good news** of God. 15 "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the **good news**!"

II. WHAT COLOR IS A RAINBOW?

- A. Matthew "The Spirit of God"
- B. Luke "The Holy Spirit"
- III. Grk (*euthús*) suddenly, right away 87x in NT, 47 in Mark, 11 in Chp 1

BODY:

I. Drawn From the Waters

10 And straightway coming up out of the water. (KJV)

A. Without the Spirit of God our lives are meaningless.

1) **Genesis 1:1-2**

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was **formless** and **empty**, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

- 2) Heb (tohuw and vohuw) from Jeremiah 4:23
- 3) EVERYBODY'S WORKING FOR THE WEEKEND (Loverboy)

- B. God drew us out of the world fore a higher purpose.
 - 1) Acts 10:38

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the **Holy Spirit** and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

2) **Exodus 2:10**

She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water." Heb (mosheh) Moses (mashah) to draw out

3) BAPTIZING JESUS IN THE JORDAN

II. Into the Wilderness

Grk (ekbállei) eject, cast forth, hurl

- A. God sent Jesus to redeem all of human history.
 - 1) **Galatians 4:4-5**

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.

- 2) FROM THE GARDEN TO THE WILDERNESS
 - 1) Into the wilderness—the Red Sea
 - 2) Wilderness 40 days—the Wanderings
 - 3) Tempted by Satan—the Testings
 - 4) With the Wild Animals—the Danger (Paradise)
 - 5) Ministered by Angels—God's Providence
- 3) PREPARING US FORE THE MISSION AHEAD
- B. <u>It is in the wilderness the good news is needed the most.</u>
 - 1) Mark 1:1-3

The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, as it is written in Isaiah the prophet: "I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way"—"a voice of one calling in the wilderness."

2) PREACHING ON SATURDAY NIGHTS

III. Driven by the Wind

12 And immediately the Spirit driveth him into the wilderness.

- A. We can either be driven by the flesh or by the Spirit.
 - 1) **John 3:8**

"The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

- 2) GOING SAILING WITH DAD
- 3) WHITE SQUALL—"BEHOLD THE POWER OF THE WIND"
- B. We need to decide what kind of life we want to live.
 - 1) **Romans 8:6**

The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace.

2) PUTTING UP THE SAILS

OTHER SCRIPTURES:

Isaiah 42:1

"Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations."

Isaiah 59:21

"As for me, this is my covenant with them," says the Lord. "My Spirit, who is on you, will not depart from you, and my words that I have put in your mouth will always be on your lips, on the lips of your children and on the lips of their descendants—from this time on and forever," says the Lord.

Jeremiah 4:23 I looked at the earth, and it was formless and empty; and at the heavens, and their light was gone.

Jeremiah 4:26 I looked, and the fruitful land was a desert; all its towns lay in ruins.

Genesis 8:9

But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark. KJV

John 3:6

"That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." (KJV)