

The GOSPEL of MARK

Our Call to Discipleship

Kingdom Inauguration: God of the Living

Mark 12:18-27

PASTOR'S PRAYER

Father in Heaven, Almighty and Sovereign, Living God, Giver of life. We praise your name. For with you is the path of life, life abundant, life eternal, life forevermore. Thank you Lord for granting us life this morning. And giving to many of us not only physical life that we might gather here together but also granting in your grace eternal life. Life that is blessed and glorious, full of joy and pleasures forevermore. Lord, we confess our attempts to live our lives for our own ends and aims. We frantically clamer around running from this exciting event to the next, from this vacation to the next hoping that our bodies will find rest and our soul will find peace. And the promises from the world have always disappointed. The possessions have not sustained us. The different strategies and processes have not produced the rest and peace and life that we so desperately long for. So we come this morning LORD acknowledging that life can only come from your hand. Our great need is not more time off, more stuff, more scheduling but you. For it is true that Christ alone makes known to us the path of life; in His presence there is fullness of joy and at His right hand are pleasures forevermore. Amen & Amen

OUTLINE

1. The Interrogation of the Resurrection (12:18-23)
2. The Confirmation of the Resurrection (12:24-27)

Central Textual Truth

Jesus calls the Sadducees to bow to His true authority and eternal life.

Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to bow to Christ as our true authority and eternal life.