

## Lessons from John Mark

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### Introduction

1. Acts 12:12, 25;13:13; 15:36-41; 2 Timothy 4:11; Colossians 4:10; 1 Peter 5:13
2. John Mark is an interesting fellow. He wrote the Gospel of Mark and see above
3. What are some lessons that we can glean from his life?

### II Discussion

1. Home life and those we associate with have an effect on our life
  1. Mark's mother's home was used as a house of prayer Acts 12:12
  2. Mark uncle was Barnabas Colossians 4:10; Acts 4:34-37
  3. Paul was a strong influence on Mark Acts 15:36-41; 2 Timothy 4:11
  4. Peter had some influence upon him 1 Peter 5:13
  5. Others had some lasting influence on John Mark Philemon 23-24
2. God's work is still done by humans, and we must make allowance for each other
  1. The treasure is in earthen vessels 2 Corinthians 4:7
  2. Much depends upon the choice of our friends 1 Corinthians 15:33
  3. Sometime others disappoint us Acts 13:13 we do not know why John Mark turned back
  4. We should not let disappointments in others cause us to quit serving God.
  5. Sometime humans disagree as Paul and Barnabas did, but there is no need in acting ugly or unchristian Acts 15:39
  6. Some may discover new purpose and rise to a new sense of duty 2 Timothy 4:11
3. The careless mistakes of early life should make us wiser in later life
  1. We need to serve the creator all the days of our life Ecclesiastes 12:1
  2. Mark rose to write of the life of Christ.
4. There is always someone we can help, whether we are weak or strong
  1. Barnabas helped Paul Acts 9:27
  2. Barnabas helped Mark Acts 15:37
  3. Mark helped Peter 1 Peter 5:13

### III Conclusion

1. Mark may have done nothing great in our eyes, but he was useful, the Lord still needs useful people today
2. Are you willing to be useful to the Lord?
3. Because useful by obeying from the heart the Lord.

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