

Foundation Worldview Home Connection

Unit 2: Studying the Bible | Lesson 4



This Home Connection activity should take about twenty minutes to complete. As soon as you get home, with a parent, write down a time this week when your family will work together to complete this activity.

Day: _____ Time: _____



Activity

This week we continued exploring the question “What skills do Christians need to study the Bible well?”

- We looked at how important it is to research the background of a Bible book. Explain to your family why this skill is important.
- Read through the introduction to Mark. Then, as a family, discuss the questions below.

Introduction to Mark

The Gospel of Mark was written at some point between AD 50 and AD 69. Tradition tells us that Mark, a close friend of the apostle Peter, wrote this gospel.

Mark wrote his gospel for Jews and non-Jews in Rome. Because of this audience, Mark includes fewer Old Testament references than the other Gospels. Mark also translates Aramaic words that his Roman audience would not have understood. And he focuses mostly on what Jesus did rather than on what Jesus said.

- Who wrote Mark?

- During what time in Bible history did Mark take place?
 - What other information did you learn about the background of the book of Mark?
 - How might knowing this background information help you better understand Mark when you read it?
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- While you complete the Follow-Up Assignment this week, as a family, discuss why it is important to research the background of Bible books.