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Mark

The Gospel of Mark

Purpose

To relay the good news about Jesus, who is the Messiah (God's anointed one) and the Son of God

Author

John Mark, who according to early tradition wrote the memories of the apostle Peter

Date

Likely written sometime during the late 60s AD

Setting

Written at a time in which Christians in the Roman world were facing persecution, which made it necessary for the gospel traditions be written down, and when Jerusalem's destruction was about to happen