

Did God Really Say?
Mark 16:9-20, Genesis 3:1-7
June 6, 2018

1. “Did God really say?” can be a _____ question.
Genesis 3:1 ***Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’”***

2. We shouldn’t _____ or _____ God’s Word.
Proverbs 30:5-6 ***Every word of God proves true; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him. 6 Do not add to his words, lest he rebuke you and you be found a liar.*** (ESV)

Deuteronomy 4:2 ***You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you.*** (ESV)

Deuteronomy 12:32 ***Everything that I command you, you shall be careful to do. You shall not add to it or take from it.*** (ESV)

Revelation 22:18-19 ***18 I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.*** (ESV)

3. Let’s look at the “_____ of Mark.”
Mark 16:9 ***[[Now when he rose early on that first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons.***

See Matthew 28:1-10, John 20:1, 11-18
Luke 8:2

Mark 16:10 ***She went and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept. 11 But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it.***

See Luke 24:10-11

Mark 16:12 ***After these things he appeared in another form to two of them, as they were walking into the country.***

See Luke 24:13-35

Mark 16:13 ***And they went back and told the rest, but they did not believe them.***
Matthew 28:17

Mark 16:14 *Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at table, and he rebuked them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen.*

See Luke 24:36-49, John 20:19-20, John 20:24-29

Mark 16:15 *And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.*

See Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8, John 20:20-23

Mark 16:16 *Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.*

See Acts 2:38, Acts 16:29-33
John 3:16

Mark 16:17 *And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues;*

See Acts 2:43, Acts 4:30, Acts 5:12, Acts 6:8, Acts 8:6, [Acts 14:3](#)

Acts 16:18, Acts 19:11-16

Acts 2:4, I Corinthians 12-14

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See Acts 28:3-6

Acts 3:1-10, Acts 5:15-16, Acts 19:11-16, James 5:14-15

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Psalm 110:1, Acts 7:56, Matthew 26:64

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See notes on verses 17

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John 20:1, 11-18

Luke 8:2 **and also some women who had been healed**

of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene , from whom seven demons had gone out,

Mark 16:10 **She went and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept. ¹¹ But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it.**

See Luke 24:10-11

¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹ but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

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Matthew 28:17

(Just before the Great Commission)

when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted.

¹⁷ And

Mark 16:14 **Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at table, and he rebuked them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen.**

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John 20:19-20 **On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."** 20 **When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.**

[c] **Jesus came**

John 20:24-29 (Thomas did not believe.)

Mark 16:15 **And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.**

See Matthew 28:18-20

Acts 1:8

John 20:20-23

Mark 16:16 **Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.**

See Acts 2:38 **And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.**

Acts 16:29-33 29 **And the jailer** called for lights and

rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. 30 **Then he brought them out and said,**

what must I do to be saved?"

31 **And they said,**

"Sirs,

"Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

32 **And they spoke the word**

of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.

33 **And**

he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; **and he was baptized at once, he and all his family.**

John 3:16

Mark 16: ¹⁷ **And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues;**

See Acts 2:43 **And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles.**

Acts 4:30

Acts 5:12 **Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico.**

Acts 6:8

Acts 8:6 **And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did.**

[Acts 14:3](#) **So they (Paul and Barnabas at Iconium) remained for a long time, speaking boldly for the Lord, who bore witness to the word of his grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands.**

Acts 16:18 **And this she kept doing for many days. Paul, having become greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.**

Acts 19:11-16 ¹¹ **And God was doing extraordinary miracles by the hands of Paul, ¹² so that even handkerchiefs or aprons that had touched his skin were carried away to the sick, and their diseases left them and the evil spirits came out of them.**
¹³ **Then some of the itinerant Jewish exorcists undertook to invoke the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, "I adjure you by the Jesus whom Paul proclaims." ...**

- Some of you have cast out demons, or had demons cast out.
- It isn't always dramatic.

Acts 2:4 ***And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.***

I Corinthians 12-14

- A number of you have spoken in tongues.

Mark 16:18 ***they will pick up serpents with their hands; and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover.***

See Acts 28:3-6 ***3 When Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks and put them on the fire, a viper came out because of the heat and fastened on his hand.***

- I know no cases of someone drinking poison.

Acts 3:1-10 ***6 But Peter said, "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!"***

Acts 5:15-16 ***so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them.*** ***16 The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed***

Acts 19:11-16 (Paul's handkerchiefs)

James 5:14-15 ***14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.*** ***15 And the prayer of faith will save the one***

who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

Mark 16:19 So they Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God.

See Luke 24:51

Acts 1:9

Psalm 110:1

*The Lord says to my Lord:
right hand, until I make your enemies your
footstool.”*

“Sit at my

Acts 7:56 And he said, “Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.”

Matthew 26:64

Jesus said to him, “You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven.”

(Many other places)

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