

SERMON NOTES

Into the Wilderness - Part Two

In the Wilderness of This World, We Need a Guide

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Mark 1:9-13 (NKJV)

9 It came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 And immediately, coming up from the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove. 11 Then a voice came from heaven, "You are My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." 12 Immediately the Spirit drove Him into the wilderness. 13 And He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to Him.

LESSONS LEARNED IN THE WILDERNESS

1. IN THE WILDERNESS OUR TRUE SELF IS _____

Deuteronomy 8:2 (NLT)

2 "Remember how the Lord your God led you through the wilderness for these forty years, humbling you and testing you to prove your character, and to find out whether or not you would obey his commands."

James 1:2-3 (MaceNT)

2 Consider the various trials that surround you, my brethren, as matter of great joy; knowing this, 3 that the bringing your faith to the test, produces constancy.

2. IN THE WILDERNESS WE _____ GOD IS ALL WE NEED.

2 Corinthians 12:9-10 (NCV)

9 But he said to me, "My grace is enough for you. When you are weak, my power is made perfect in you." So I am very happy to brag about my weaknesses. Then Christ's power can live in me. 10 For this reason I am happy when I have weaknesses, insults, hard times, sufferings, and all kinds of troubles for Christ. Because when I am weak, then I am truly strong.

3. IN THE WILDERNESS WE RECEIVE OUR GREATEST

Luke 1:80 (NLT) 80 John grew up and became strong in spirit. And he lived in the wilderness until he began his public ministry to Israel.

Psalm 78:19 (NKJV)

19 "...can God prepare a table in the wilderness?"

"Pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our

consciences, but shouts in our pains. It is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world." -- C.S. Lewis

Answers:

- 1. REVEALED
- 2. REALIZE
- 3. BLESSINGS