

Mark 1:28

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And immediately his fame spread abroad throughout all the region round about Galilee.

Analysis

Mark's characteristic 'immediately' (Greek: euthys) appears forty-one times in his Gospel, emphasizing the rapid spread of Christ's fame following His authoritative teaching and exorcism. This demonstrates the sovereignty of God in drawing people to witness Christ's ministry, fulfilling the divine timetable for revelation. The geographical spread throughout Galilee prepared hearts for the gospel message.

Historical Context

Galilee in 30 AD was densely populated with numerous villages within walking distance. News traveled quickly through social networks in this agrarian society. Mark, likely writing to Roman Christians around 65 AD, emphasizes action and immediacy throughout his fast-paced Gospel account.

Related Passages

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Study Questions

1. How does the rapid spread of Christ's fame demonstrate God's sovereign orchestration of His redemptive plan?
2. In what ways can our lives create a 'fame' for Christ that draws others to investigate His claims?

Interlinear Text

ἐξῆλθεν	δὲ	ἡ	άκοὴ	αὐτοῦ	εὐθὺς	εἰς	ὅλην
spread abroad	And	G3588	fame	his	immediately	throughout	all
G1831	G1161		G189	G846	G2117	G1519	G3650
τὴν	περίχωρον		τῆς	Γαλιλαίας			
G3588	the region round about	G4066	G3588	Galilee	G1056		

Additional Cross-References

Matthew 9:31 (Parallel theme): But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that country.

Luke 4:37 (Parallel theme): And the fame of him went out into every place of the country round about.