

Mark 7:16

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.

Analysis

Mark 7:16 This passage continues Mark's fast-paced narrative demonstrating Jesus' divine authority, miraculous power, and confrontation with religious establishment. The theological themes include Christ's deity, sacrificial mission, call to discipleship, and inauguration of God's kingdom. Reformed interpretation emphasizes sovereign grace, substitutionary atonement, and transformation through regeneration.

Historical Context

First-century Palestinian Jewish context under Roman occupation shapes the narrative. Archaeological discoveries confirm Gospel accounts' historical accuracy. Ancient sources (Josephus, Tacitus) corroborate biblical timeline and cultural details. Early church fathers interpreted these Christologically, seeing Old Testament fulfillment and New Covenant establishment.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Study Questions

1. How does this verse reveal Christ's person and work in redemptive history?

2. What transformation should this truth produce in your thinking, affections, and behavior?

Interlinear Text

Εἰ	τις	ἔχει	ὦτα	ἀκούέτω	ἀκούέτω
G1487	G5100	have	ears	let him hear	let him hear
		G2192	G3775	G191	G191

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