



THE BIBLE IN VERSE

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MARK

CHAPTERS 1 TO 16

Chapter 1

John comes, preparing the way of the Lord,
Preaching repentance, to bring in accord.
Christ is baptized, and the spirit descends.
Devils are cast, and the leper is cleansed.

Chapter 2

Palsied is brought, and the roof is destroyed;
Sin is forgiven; the scribes are annoyed.
Jesus' Disciples pick corn, and offend.
Sabbath was made for the welfare of men.

Chapter 3

Withered is healed, and the rulers inflamed.
Now the Disciples are chosen and named.
He who blasphemes the sweet Spirit of God,
Has no forgiveness, but suffers the rod.

Chapter 4

Parable told of the sower who sows;
Some seed is wasted, but some of it grows.
Those in the boats are afraid they will drown;
Jesus speaks peace, and the wind settles down.

Chapter 5

Legion of devils are ordered to flee;
Two thousand swine are destroyed in the sea.
Woman is healed of affliction so dread.
Jairus' daughter is raised from the dead.

Chapter 6

Twelve are sent out, two by two, through the land.
John is beheaded at Herod's command.
Five thousand fed on loaves five, fishes two.
Jesus walks forth on the billowing blue.

Chapter 7

That which goes into a man can't defile;
That which comes forth from the heart may be vile.
Devil is cast from the child of a Greek.
Deaf and dumb man, made to hear and to speak.

Chapter 8

Four thousand come and on seven loaves, dine.
Pharisees come, and seek after a sign.
Blind at Bethsaida is fully sufficed.
Peter confesses that Jesus is Christ.

Chapter 9

Jesus transfigured in presence of three.
Obstinate devil is ordered to flee.
He who would garner first place must be last.
Better to suffer than be in Hell cast.

Chapter 10

Marriage is sanctioned of God, and is right.
Riches bind men in a desperate plight.
Brother Disciples would sit in the light.
Blind Bartimaeus is given his sight.

Chapter 11

Colt highly honored, but tree is destroyed.
Temple is cleansed, but the scribes are annoyed.
Ask what you will, but believe when you pray,
Also forgive, lest sin stand in the way.

Chapter 12

Parable told of the vineyard for rent.
Pharisees tempt Him; He asks for a cent.
Sadducees given some future-times light.
Widow is praised for her sacrificed mite.

Chapter 13

Great tribulation is coming on earth;
Earthquake and bloodshed and famine and dearth.
Many false christs shall rise up to deceive;
Watch, therefore, brethren, that you may receive.

Chapter 14

Christ, in Gethsemane, labors in prayer;
Peter is sleepy, and fails Him there.
Judas betrays Him; His followers go.
Peter denies Him, then hears the cock crow.

Chapter 15

Pilate gives sentence, and Jesus is led,
Robed in bright purple, with thorns on His head.
Jesus is crucified, King of the Jews,
Placed in a tomb which is ready to use.

Chapter 16

Women come early to find the stone gone.
Angel is there to instruct them along.
Jesus is risen, presented alive.
Group's recommissioned to preach and baptize.