Mark 1:14-15 **Ministry and message of Jesus**

14 Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- After John was imprisoned, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom of God (Kingdom of Heaven). [Mark 1:14, Matthew 4:17]
 - ♦ The Gospel (Good News) is that God has made the Kingdom of God available to mankind.
 - ♦ The Time is fulfilled and the Kingdom of God (Kingdom of Heaven) is at hand.
 - ❖ The time of the introduction of the Kingdom is according to the order of things appointed by God for its revelation.
 - ♦ The kingdom of God was first mentioned in the ministry of John the Baptist and is continued in the ministry of Jesus. [Matthew 3:1-3, 4:17, Mark 1:14-15]
 - ♦ Access to the Kingdom of God is through belief and repentance. [Mark 1:15, 16:16, Galatians 3:22, 1 John 5:13]
 - ♦ The first message that Jesus preached, was the same as the message of John the Baptist.
 - ❖ In introducing the Kingdom of God, or the Kingdom of Heaven, it is important to stress the requirement for entering the Kingdom, and that is, "Repent."
 - ♦ We must first turn to God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength.
 - ♦ Then seek His plan of Salvation for our lives.
 - ♦ This calls for an active choice toward God for each of us.
 - ❖ Repent! Remains the call for people throughout the Great Tribulation, where it is stressed that God is looking for Repentance. [Revelation 9:20-21, 16:8-9, 10-11]