The Gospel of the Kingdom of God
Mark 1:14-15

Introduction:
A. Jesus and John were excited about the kingdom
   1. Many excited about kingdoms of this world.
   2. Few excited about kingdom of God.
B. Let us consider four phases of the kingdom of God:

Discussion:
I. The Kingdom Promised.
   A. By the prophets.
      1. The promised ruler (Mic. 5:2; Matt. 2:6).
      2. Daniel and Nebuchadnezzar’s dream (Dan 2:36-44)
   B. By John and Jesus.
      1. At hand (Matt. 3:2; 4:17).
      2. In lifetime of that generation (Mk. 9:1).

II. The Kingdom Realized.
   A. The king is anointed (Acts 2:29-36).
   B. Early Christians in the kingdom (Col. 1:13; Col. 1:9).

III. The Kingdom Identified.
   A. Not a political kingdom (John 19:33-37).
   B. “Church” and “Kingdom” interchangeable.
      1. Jesus’ usage of the words (Matt. 16:18).
      2. Lord’s supper in church/kingdom (Lk. 22:16,18; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:23-260.

IV. The Kingdom Glorified.
   A. Delivered up at Christ’s coming. (1 Cor. 15:22-25).
   B. Everlasting phase still future (2 Pet. 1:11; 1 Cor. 15:50; 6:9, 10; Gal. 5:21).

Conclusion
A. How excited are you about this kingdom?
B. Remember: It will continue after all others destroyed?