

In our passage today, we'll see how expectations dictate much of the story. We'll see how Jesus views his ministry, how at least two disciples view their ministry, and then finally how we should view our own ministry. The passage explores a question: what is the call of a disciple, a follower of Jesus?

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 148:1-2

Songs of Praise

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Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism #2

- Q. What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?
- A. Three things: first, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.

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Song of Declaration

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Confession of Sin

O Lord, we openly admit that you know us thoroughly. Our deepest secrets are open before you. You know our thoughts before they are conceived in our minds. We cannot hide from you. Therefore, we ask that you discover unto us our sins so that we may humble ourselves again in your presence and seek your forgiveness and grace. We admit we have tolerated sinful thoughts about power, lust, greed, jealousy, malice and other things that grieve your heart. We have committed sins of omission and commission. But we seek your mercy and cleansing from our sins by the blood of Christ. And we thank you for your Spirit who enables us to walk in holiness and obedience. Give us the grace to please you this day and forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 3:21-25

Children's Message

Sermon - Great Expectations

Sermon Scripture - Mark 10:32-45

Ransom

- What is the significance of Jesus being on the path to Jerusalem?
 - Mark 10:32
 - Mark 8:31
 - o Mark 9:31
- What is unique in this passage regarding Jesus foretelling his death?
 - Isaiah 53
 - o Mark 10:33-34
- Why was Jesus willing to be the ransom for us?

Mark 10:45Acts 2:23

Expectations

- How have the disciples reacted to the impending death of Jesus in Mark?
 - Mark 10:28
- How will the disciples share in the ministry of Christ?
 - Mark 10:38
 - Acts 12:2
 - Revelation 1:19
- What was the expectation of the disciples?
 - Romans 6:5

Servants

- How can we find meaning in this life?
- What are the regular means of grace? Where do we experience them most vividly?
- What are we called to do?
 - Mark 10:42-45

Song of Response

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Benediction

- 1. Why did Jesus discuss his impending death multiple times in the gospels (Mark 8:31, 9:31, 10:33-34)?
- 2. Some consider Mark 10:45 the hinge point of the book of Mark. What is the significance of this verse?
- 3. Do most Christians believe they will be blessed for following Jesus? Do you?

4. How would you respond if Jesus told you that you would share in his suffering (Mark 10:39)?
5. Is it essential for Christians to be connected to a local church? Why?
6. How do you cultivate your relationship with Jesus?