

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE NOTES

WOMEN *in the* WORD **Fellowship Bible Church**

The GOSPEL ACCORDING to MARK **(JESUS: God's Servant-Our Savior)**

Lesson NINE...The TURNING POINT (Mark 8:27-9:29)
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INTRO:

WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?

Mark 8:27-38 (NKJV) ²⁷ Now Jesus and His disciples went out to the towns of Caesarea Philippi; and on the road He asked His disciples, saying to them, "Who do men say that I am?" ²⁸ So they answered, "John the Baptist; but some say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." ²⁹ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered and said to Him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰ Then He strictly warned them that they should tell no one about Him.

- **Matt 16:16 (NLT)**¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

Who do YOU say that I am? Have you ever answered that question?

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HOW to be GREAT in the KINGDOM of GOD

Mark 8:31 **And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.**

- **(Jesus) began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer...**

Acts 1:6-7 (NKJV)⁶ Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority.

Mark 8:32 **He spoke this word openly. And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. ³³ But when He had turned around and looked at His disciples, He rebuked Peter, saying, "Get behind Me, Satan! For you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men."**

Mark 8:34 **When He had called the people to *Himself*, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.**

Romans 8:17 (NLT) And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering.

- **Deny self...(CWSB Dictionary)** (II) Followed by the reflex. pron. heautón (G1438), oneself, to deny oneself, meaning to disown and renounce self and to subjugate all works, interests and enjoyments (Matt. 16:24; Mark 8:34; Luke 9:23 [TR] cf. Phil. 3:7, 8]).

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (NASB Strong's (Lockman)) ¹⁹ Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? ²⁰ For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.

1 Peter 1:17-19 (NASB)¹⁷ If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay on earth; ¹⁸ knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, ¹⁹ but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.

- **take up your cross...**

Mark 8:35 **For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it.**

- **Why do believers sin? What's our motivation?**

The IMPORTANCE of CONTEXT

Context is indispensable when interpreting scripture. Without it you can make God's word say whatever you want it to say. The context of the next verses is determined by audience and topic.

- **Life...Soul = GK. Psyche** (pronounced Sue-kay)

WHY did the translators not continue with the same definition of Psyche in this passage? If Jesus was speaking of life in verse 35 why did they switch the topic to soul? Or why didn't they use soul for verse 35 to stay on topic? Here's why: If they did that look at how utterly confusing verse 35 would have been:

"For whoever desires to "save his SOUL" will lose it, but whoever "loses his SOUL" for My sake and the gospel's will save it".

WOW! Definitely that is wrong!

Mark 8:36 **For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?**

Matt 6:19-21 (NLT)¹⁹ “Don’t store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal.²⁰ Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal.²¹ Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.

Mark 8:37 **Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?**

- Lit. exchange for your life...

Mark 8:38 **For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."**

- Ashamed...

1 John 2:28 (NLT)²⁸ And now, dear children, remain in fellowship with Christ so that when he returns, you will be full of courage and not shrink back from him in shame.

2 Cor 5:10 (NKJV)¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what He has done, whether good or bad.

Luke 19:11-26 (NLT)¹¹ The crowd was listening to everything Jesus said. And because he was nearing Jerusalem, he told them a story to correct the impression that the Kingdom of God would begin right away.¹² He said, “A nobleman was called away to a distant empire to be crowned king and then return.¹³ Before he left, he called together ten of his servants and divided among them ten pounds of silver, saying, ‘Invest this for me while I am gone....’ After he was crowned king, he returned and called in the servants to whom he had given the money. He wanted to find out what their profits were.¹⁶ The first servant reported, ‘Master, I invested your money and made ten times the original amount!’¹⁷ “‘Well done!’ the king exclaimed. ‘You are a good servant. You have been faithful with the little I entrusted to you, so you will be governor of ten cities as your reward.’¹⁸ “The next servant reported, ‘Master, I invested your money and made five times the original amount.’¹⁹ “‘Well done!’ the king said. ‘You will be governor over five cities.’²⁰ “But the third servant brought back only the original amount of money and said, ‘Master, I hid your money and kept it safe.’²¹ I was afraid because you are a hard man to deal with, taking what isn’t yours and harvesting crops you didn’t plant.’²² “‘You wicked servant!’ the king roared. ‘Your own words condemn you. If you knew that I’m a hard man who takes what isn’t mine and harvests crops I didn’t plant,²³ why didn’t you deposit my money in the bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.’²⁴ “Then, turning to the others standing nearby, the king ordered, ‘Take the money from this servant, and give it to the one who has ten pounds.’²⁵ “‘But, master,’ they said, ‘he already has ten pounds!’²⁶ “‘Yes,’ the king replied, ‘and to those who use well what they are given, even more will be given. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away.’

Rev 3:11 (NLT)¹¹ I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take away your crown.

A FORETASTE of the KINGDOM

Mark 9:1-29 (NKJV) ¹ And He said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the kingdom of God present with power."

Mark 9:2 Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and led them up on a high mountain apart by themselves; and He was transfigured before them. ³ His clothes became shining, exceedingly white, like snow, such as no launderer on earth can whiten them.

- **Transfigured...** To change one's form... metamorphō—

Shining...or Radiant. To shine forth, glitter, glow. There was a light emanating from Christ. His human form was momentarily hidden with the Glory of God from the inside out not the outside in.

Mark 9:4 And Elijah appeared to them with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus.

Mark 9:5 Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"-- ⁶ because he did not know what to say, for they were greatly afraid.

- *...because...*

Mark 9:7 And a cloud came and overshadowed them; and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!" ⁸ Suddenly, when they had looked around, they saw no one anymore, but only Jesus with themselves.

- A cloud...the glory of Yahweh.
- HEAR HIM!

Mark 9:9 Now as they came down from the mountain, He commanded them that they should tell no one the things they had seen, till the Son of Man had risen from the dead. ¹⁰ So they kept this word to themselves, questioning what the rising from the dead meant.

- Commanded them..tell no one the things they had seen till...

John 6:15 (NASB) So Jesus, perceiving that they were intending to come and take Him by force to make Him king, withdrew again to the mountain by Himself alone.

- "...what rising from the dead meant..."

Mark 9:11 And they asked Him, saying, "Why do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?"¹² Then He answered and told them, "Indeed, Elijah is coming first and restores all things. And how is it written concerning the Son of Man, that He must suffer many things and be treated with contempt?"¹³ But I say to you that Elijah has also come, and they did to him whatever they wished, as it is written of him."

Mal 4:5-6 (NLT)⁵ "Look, I am sending you the prophet Elijah before the great and dreadful day of the Lord arrives.⁶ His preaching will turn the hearts of fathers to their children, and the hearts of children to their fathers. Otherwise I will come and strike the land with a curse."

- *"the Son of Man...must suffer..."* (For more info see Isaiah 53.)
- *"Elijah has come..."*

TROUBLE in the VALLEY

Mark 9:14 And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them.¹⁵ Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to *Him*, greeted Him.

- Amazed...
- The scribes were lawyers of the Law of Moses.

Mark 9:16 And He asked the scribes, "What are you discussing with them?"

Mark 9:17 Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit.¹⁸ And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not."

- *..."But they could not..."*

Mark 9:19 He answered him and said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me."

- *"O faithless generation..."*
- *"Bring him to me"*

Mark 9: 20 Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth.²¹ So He asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood."

- *"How long..."*

Mark 9:22 **And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us."**

- "If You can..." (See Jas. 1:20).

Mark 9:23 **Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."**

Mark 9:23 (NLT) ²³ "What do you mean, 'If I can'?" Jesus asked. "Anything is possible if a person believes."

(See 2 Peter 3:9).

Mark 9:24 **Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!"**

Mark 9:25 **When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!"** ²⁶ Then *the spirit* cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹ So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."

- Prayer is indispensable to a disciple if he wants to be used effectively by God.
- "And fasting"

1 Corinthians 9:25-27 (NASB)²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶ Therefore I run in such a way, as not without aim; I box in such a way, as not beating the air; ²⁷ but I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified.

CLOSING:

*As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God. The time of my death is near.
I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful.
And now the prize awaits me—the crown of righteousness,
which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on the day of his return.
And the prize is not just for me but for all who eagerly look forward to his appearing.*
2 Tim 4:6-8 (NLT)

NEXT WEEK: Lesson TEN...En Route to Jerusalem (Mark 9:30-10:12)