

# THE GOSPEL OF MARK

MIGHTY SAVIOR – SUFFERING SERVANT

## What Does Jesus Look for in His Followers?

October 29, 2023 | Mark 10:13-45

### Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*\*\*Before discussing these questions, read through Mark 10:13-45 as a group.*

1. Ice-breaker: "Every meaningful relationship asks something of us." How has this proven true in your own life?
2. Why is it good that meaningful relationships require something from us?
3. Consider the sections of Mark 10 listed below. For each section, briefly summarize what following Jesus asks of us — that is, the cost that is involved.
  - Mark 10:13-16
  - Mark 10:17-31
  - Mark 10:32-45
4. Are there ways that this "cost" of following Jesus challenges either (1) how you've thought of following Jesus personally, or (2) how culture around us thinks of following Jesus? Explain your response.
5. Now go back to these same sections of Mark 10. (See question 3.) What does following Jesus offer?
6. Why is it important to keep in mind BOTH what following Jesus requires AND what following Jesus offers? What happens if only one of these is emphasized?
7. Choose one of the sections of Mark 10 you've been looking at. Practically speaking, what would it look like for you to live in light of what you've learned here, as you think about the week ahead of you?
8. What other questions or comments do you have about this passage?
9. What is your biggest take-away from what you've discussed so far? What practical step will you take to apply what you've seen in God's Word?
10. **Challenge:** Identify one way this passage is challenging or encouraging you. Who can you tell this coming week about what you're learning?
11. **Challenge – Memorize Mark 10:42-45:** 42 Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. 43 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. 45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."