

Do You See Jesus Clearly? October 22, 2023 | Mark 8:27-9:13 Questions for Study and Group Discussion

**Before discussing these questions, read through Mark 8:27-9:13 as a group.

- 1. In Mark 1:1, Mark reveals his belief about Jesus. He describes Jesus as the Messiah and the Son of God. How would you describe Jesus?
- 2. What have we read up to this point in the book of Mark that would reveal Jesus as the Messiah and the Son of God?
- 3. Read Mark 8:27-28. Why is it inadequate to consider Jesus only as a great moral teacher? Why is it inadequate to see Him as just an example to follow?
- 4. In Mark 8:29-30, the disciples declare Jesus as the Messiah. Why would this confession have been earth shattering for them?
- 5. Have you made this confession? If not, why not? If so, why did you confess that Jesus is the Messiah?
- 6. Jesus then tells the disciples how He is going to save in verses 31-33. Why did Peter rebuke Jesus? Why did Jesus rebuke Peter?
- 7. What does believing in Jesus as the Messiah mean for your life?
- 8. Mark also believed Jesus is the Son of God which we clearly see in the transfiguration. Read Mark 9:2-8. What does it mean that Jesus is the Son of God?
- 9. In the transfiguration, Jesus reveals his deity to Peter, James, and John. Why is it important that we believe Jesus is God? What does this belief relate to our salvation?
- 10. What was the significance of Moses and Elijah's appearance on the Mountain? *For reference read Matthew 5:17.*
- 11. Was there a moment in your life when Jesus was suddenly revealed to you as God? Share that moment.
- 12. **Challenge: Read 2 Corinthians 3:18 together.** Talk about ways you can "contemplate" the glory of Jesus this week.