



The Gospel of Mark Following Jesus

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Following a Servant Messiah

Mark 10:32-45

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Theme: Jesus’ prediction for a third time of His coming death continues to fall on deaf ears. The disciples lack understanding about what kind of Messiah Jesus is, and as a result they continue to misunderstand their own role in the coming kingdom. Jesus teaches them that their discipleship is to follow the pattern of His Messiahship: as He is the Lord’s servant who will give His life as a ransom, so they are to turn away from preoccupation with status and serve others in God’s kingdom.

Outline

1. Jesus Predicts His Death Again (Mark 10:32-34)
 - a. Responses to Jesus’ journey to Jerusalem (10:32a)
 - b. Jesus delivered over to Jewish Leaders and Gentiles (10:32b-34a)
 - c. Jesus predicts His resurrection (10:34b)

2. James and John Request Second and Third Positions in the Kingdom (10:35-40)

a. The request for status and power (10:35-37)

b. Jesus predicts their own suffering rather than status (10:38-40)

3. Jesus Teaches the Status-Preoccupied Disciples about Service to Others (10:41-45)

a. The disciples are angry (10:41)

b. The negative example of Gentile rulers (10:42)

c. Jesus' prohibition of status and command to be like servant and slave (10:43-44)

d. The positive example of Jesus as Isaiah's "servant of the Lord" (10:45)

Takeaway: Mark shows Jesus to be a Messiah willing to give His life as a ransom in service of others. This Messiah becomes our example of service to the other—we are to walk in His footsteps (1 Pet 2:21).

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