From Blindness to Belief

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Mark 8:22-33

In a world full of contrary opinions, only a divine touch can help us to understand who Jesus really is.

1. Beginning Blindness

Mark 8:22-26

The two-stage healing of the blind man symbolizes the plight of man in every age: either he is completely blind concerning Jesus or he has a vague but erroneous view. Only Jesus' touch can bring complete clarity.

<u>Isaiah 35:5; 42:6-7, 16; Matthew 11:21; Mark 6:52; 8:17;</u>

2. Confession and Clarity

Mark 8:27-30

Jesus takes His disciples into pagan territory to question them about His identity. Peter's confession reveals that their hearts are now somewhat softened to understand the Person of Jesus Christ.

Matthew 14:2; Mark 6:14; 9:11; Malachi 4:5; Mark 15:39; 5:7; Matthew 16:17;

3. Revelation and Rebuke

Mark 8:31-33

Peter was caught off guard by Jesus's teaching about His suffering and death. Clarity often comes through struggle and challenge. God's divine purposes often do not align with human expectations.

Mark 14:62; 10:45