

THE GOSPELS

THE BOOK OF MARK

WHO IS JESUS...REALLY?

Mark really focuses on Jesus as the _____.

LET'S TALK ABOUT:

1. The Way Mark _____.

What if your pain could be seen as a tool in the hand of God, propelling you to the end of the story?

2. Peter's _____.

27 And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" 28 And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." 29 And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." 30 And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him. 31 And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." Mark 8:27-33

Will you allow Jesus to be who He really is? Or do you demand that He meet your expectations?

3. Jesus _____ and _____.

INVITATION:

34 And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 35 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it." Mark 8:34-35

DECLARATION:

45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Mark 10:45

Suffering and sacrifice are no longer _____. Because of Jesus, suffering can now have _____.

16 So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. 17 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, 18 as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

4. The _____ response.

37 And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. 38 And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. 39 And when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!" **Mark 15:37-39**

Have you truly seen the cross? | Isaiah 53:3-11

5. Mark's _____ ending.

Ending: Mark 16:1-8

Jesus came to suffer with us and for us? How will we respond?