

Series: Mark: A Faithful Follower

Sermon Title: Making Jesus Your Top Priority

Passage: Mark 8:27-30; 8:34-38

Main Point: Following Jesus isn't a priority, it is the priority.

To you, who is Jesus?

Mark 8:27–30 (CSB)

²⁷Jesus went out with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the road he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?"

²⁸They answered him, "John the Baptist; others, Elijah; still others, one of the prophets."

²⁹"But you," he asked them, "who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah."

³⁰And he strictly warned them to tell no one about him.

Jesus's divinity is the bedrock of our faith.

To you, who is Jesus?

Mark 8:34–38 (CSB)

³⁴Calling the crowd along with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone wants to follow after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.

³⁵For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life because of me and the gospel will save it.

³⁶For what does it benefit someone to gain the whole world and yet lose his life?

³⁷What can anyone give in exchange for his life?

³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Did the way you lived last week show that following Jesus is your priority?

Following Jesus isn't a priority, it is the priority.

How can you reprioritize your life so that Jesus is the top priority?

- Wake up every and confess that Jesus is your lord

- Repent of the times you make life about yourself.
- Commit yourself to walk in faith as God leads.
- Spend time in God's Word and in prayer.