

The Call to Follow Jesus

Series: The Heart of the Gospel

Mark 8:22-38

When You Follow Jesus:

1. You will _____ things you never thought you would see.

And they came to Bethsaida. And some people brought to him a blind man and begged him to touch him. Mark 8:22

- a. A _____ man was healed.
- b. This pictures _____ and physical healing.

And he looked up and said, 'I see people, but they look like trees, walking.' Then Jesus laid his hands on his eyes again; and he opened his eyes, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly. Mark 8:24-25

2. You will know He is the _____.

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?' Mark 8:27

- a. Public _____

And they told him, 'John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.' Mark 8:28

- b. Personal _____

And he asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Christ.' Mark 8:29

3. You will walk in the way of the _____ and the power of the resurrection.

- a. He began to tell them about his _____.

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 . . . Mark 8:31a

b. He began to tell them about the _____.

... and after three days rise again. Mark 8:31b

c. Peter _____ him.

... and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. Mark 8:32b

d. Jesus rebuked _____.

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 8:33

4. It will cost you _____.

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.' Mark 8:34

a. _____ yourself.

b. Take up _____ cross.

c. _____ Jesus.

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 8:35

Conclusion

What is the _____ of a soul?

For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul. Or what can a man give in return for his soul? Mark 8:36-37

Are you _____ of Jesus or will you follow Jesus?

For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. Mark 8:38