

Mark 9:1-32

LW's – Dustin last two weeks – The Bible & Prayer

Intro - Jesus/Disciples/Caesarea Philippi, Peter Proclamation/Rebuke; Began/Teach Rejected/Killed/Raised;

* Peter's Rebuke (Expecting Jesus as the Messiah, to Set up His Kingdom); Jesus' teaching on true Discipleship

V1-13

1. V1 – Really belongs with Chapter 8

* They had expected the Messiah to come & set up His kingdom on earth.

* Peter had just gotten in trouble for challenging Jesus teaching/betrayed/killed/rise from dead.

* He shares His plan that He is going to give them reassurance they are truly following the Messiah!

2. V2 – Jesus took P/J/J (Inner Circle) Transfigured – Metamorphoo – Same Elements/Change Something else!

* Fulfillment of V1

Revelation 1:12-14 ¹²Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band. ¹⁴His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire;

A - Closer we are in fellowship w/Jesus the more we see/experience Jesus – Power, Glory, Majesty

3. Moses & Elijah – Moses = Law; Elijah = Prophets; Later disciples would ask about him.

4. Don't tell anyone till after the Son of Man is risen from the dead – Implying, after He did rise – GO and Tell!

2 Peter 1:16-18 ¹⁶For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. ¹⁷For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” ¹⁸And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

V14-29

1. V21 – Jesus asked, “How long has this been happening to him?”

* Jesus wasn't asking for information purposes, He knew this information

* He was asking why has it taken so long for you to bring him to me?

* Illustration – Man asking Hudson Taylor how long/know of the Savior? 100's of Years – Why so long?

1. V23 Jesus said to him, “If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.”

* Be careful, others will say the same thing – If you only believe, what you believe is possible!

* The power here is NOT in OUR BELIEF, but in WHOM we BELIEVE!

* Jesus was not teaching them the Power of Positive Thinking as some teach today

* He was telling this Father that his belief in Him (Jesus) was the key

* The father – “Lord, I believe; Help my unbelief!” A - Even our faith to believe comes from Him!!!

2. V25 - “Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!”

* Many people want “help,” they want the problem out – but don't want to fill the void

A - Jesus (By His power) is able/cleanse us from demonic/destructive strongholds – desires to fill the void

3. So He said to them, “This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting.”

* Why prayer & fasting?

* Prayer – Dustin just shared on this LW – How we tap into that relationship with God!

- Story of Walking Home Dogs started chasing me – Ran into Apt Bldg & Called my Dad “Our Father (Abba)...

* Fasting – Gets us out of the natural realm & places us in the awareness of the Spiritual Realm

Isaiah 58:6 ⁶“Is this not the fast that I have chosen: To loose the bonds of wickedness, To undo the heavy burdens, To let the oppressed go free, And that you break every yoke?

* Where the real battle is! When we bring things to God in prayer – He never loses!

V30-32

1. Jesus began this teaching back in 8:31 – And it didn't go so well the first time – especially for Peter!

2. Progressed from “must suffer” – future tense – to “is being betrayed,” – present tense

* And they WILL kill Him and after He is killed, He WILL rise the third day!

* This is the “hour” that whole Gospel of John is built around

John 2:4⁴ Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come.”

John 7:30³⁰ Therefore they sought to take Him; but no one laid a hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come.

John 12:23²³ But Jesus answered them, saying, “The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified.

John 13:1¹ Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

* **Revelation 13:8**⁸ All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

* **1 Peter 1:20**²⁰ He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you

Communion

Isaiah 53:11¹¹ He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities.

Hebrews 9:26-28 ...He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. ²⁷And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, ²⁸so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.

1. You want to see Jesus transfigured/transformed before you – from how you/others made him out to be

* To become the Savior of Your Soul from the Sin you have committed

2. You want to Believe in Jesus that He has the power to cleanse you from demonic/destructive strongholds – from sinful strongholds – Then Ask Him too cleanse you - Believe In Him & His power & be set free!

3. The way Is Prayer – Tapping into the relation that God WANTS to have with you – He is Abba Father

* We can receive the Gift of the Forgiveness of your sins –

* The whole reason God sent His only begotten Son was to bear our sins/to pay their penalty/suffer their consequences/died/buried/rise!

* Pray! – If we confess with our mouth, believe in our heart God raised Him from the dead, we will be saved!

* If you are a Christian:

– you have been out of touch/out of communication/out of fellowship - Pray – Ask/Back

* If you are wondering why you cannot overcome that stronghold in your life – 1) Fast 2) Pray

* If you were at one time CLOSE, Inner Circle/Seeing/Experiencing Jesus Style kind of Life – Pray – Ask/Back

* May we all leave here today with the desire to go and tell people of Jesus - the Risen Savior!

BIBLES FOR NEW BELIEVERS
&
COME UP FOR PRAYER