

THE TRUE KING

Mark 8:27-9:1

MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

1. THE KIND OF KING JESUS IS
2. WHAT WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH TO FOLLOW THIS KING

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick one or two of these to talk about as a group

1. What stood out to you most from this week's message? Why?
2. In the passage we looked at this week, Peter doesn't like the sound of Jesus' plan and tries to rebuke Jesus for talking about His future suffering and death. We aren't that different than Peter. Describe a time when your agenda was different than God's. How did you handle it?
3. In Mark 8:31, Jesus talked to His disciples about why He MUST suffer and die. This week we looked at three reasons why Jesus had to die. He died for our 1) Personal Transformation 2) Legal Justification and 3) Final Liberation. Which of these truths is easiest for you to understand and live in light of? Which is most difficult for you?
4. Jesus personally transforms us by satisfying our deep need for God's love. It is a need that only He can meet with His one-way, radical, unconditional love. What are some ways you've looked to other people to meet your need for love? How can having this need met by Jesus actually make you better at loving others?
5. Mark 8:34-37 shows us that taking up your cross means you need a new identity. What are some differences between how our culture tells us to find our identity and how Jesus says to? How would you describe your identity?
6. In Mark 8:29, Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" What is your answer to that question? Who do you say Jesus is?

A TRUTH TO TAKE WITH YOU: The type of King Jesus is shows us that before the kingdom of God advances in power it must enter in weakness. It will end in glory but it begins with humility. It will end in joy but it begins with sorrow. It will end with a crown but it begins with a cross.