

FOLLOWING JESUS

A STUDY IN THE GOSPEL OF MARK

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Mark 10:32-36

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What _____ To _____

2. The Disciples Concern -

What _____ To _____

3. Jesus' _____ Of _____

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What Do You Want Jesus To Do? - Mark 10:32-52

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1. We Must _____ Our _____

2. We Must _____ To _____

3. We Must _____

Memory Verse

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."
Romans 10:13

MY NEXT STEP IS TO. . .

- ☐ Today for the first time call out to Jesus for His gift of salvation and begin to follow Him
- ☐ Memorize Romans 10:13
- ☐ Think about how I would answer Jesus' question, 'What Do You Want Me To Do For You?' and talk to Him about that in prayer
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2. The Disciples Concern - What Will Happen To Them

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1. We Must Understand Our Need

2. We Must Cry Out To Him

3. We Must Be Persistent

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Discussion Questions - Week #8

LIFEGROUPS

QUICK REVIEW

Thinking back to the weekend sermon, "What Do You Want Jesus To Do?" summarize the main point in a sentence or two.

Was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

Do you plan on taking any practical steps this week in response to the message?

GETTING STARTED

In Mark chapter ten, Bartimaeus was persistent in crying out to Jesus, regardless of the attempts to quiet him. What is something in your life in which you've been persistent?

What do you wish you had persisted in but gave up too early?

How would you answer Jesus' question, "What do you want me to do for you?"

DIGGING DEEPER

1. In Luke chapter eleven, Jesus teaches the disciples about prayer and points to God as the generous provider for all our needs. Read Luke 11:1-13. In three years with Jesus, the only thing the disciples asked that He teach them was to pray. Why do you think prayer was the thing they were most interested to learn?

What would you have been most curious to learn?

What is the main point in Jesus' teaching in this passage about prayer?

What do you think this passage teaches about our attitude regarding prayer?

What does it suggest about our ultimate need?

What is one thing you could do to grow in the area of prayer?

2. Read Psalm 91. What stands out to you in this passage?

What sources besides God do you often turn to for help and comfort?

Share an example of a time when God was your refuge and fortress.

How might making God our dwelling place and refuge enable us to be a source of encouragement to others?

How do you make sense of the reality that God is our help and refuge, and yet pain and suffering still affect us?

For Practice

In Exodus 2, under the harsh slavery of the Egyptians, the Israelites cried out to God. Verse 24 states, "And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob." While God always hears our cries, it does not always lead to our immediate deliverance. In that case, scripture models for us the faithful response of lament. When we face the emotions of anger, sadness, or hurt, scripture teaches that we are not to bottle them up or hide them but express them back to God. Through lament, we cry out, giving voice to our pain, and often, powerful negative emotions are turned into trust. If you find yourself amid a painful ordeal, consider the practice of regularly praying Psalm 13, 31, 44, or 86.

SHARE IT

Is there anything you heard or learned in the weekend message or Life Group this week that you want to share with someone you know?

PRAYER REQUESTS

There are roughly 1.8 billion Muslims worldwide. Last Sunday began the month-long Muslim observance of Ramadan, during which many of these men and women practice fasting from dawn to sunset. It is a time for worship, charity, and good deeds. Pray that during this month, God would speak to many Muslims about the identity of Jesus as Lord and Messiah, and they would turn and begin worshipping the true God.