

Breakthrough

Breaking To Jesus

Mark 8.27-38

Breaking to Jesus is based on who he is, what he did, and what he calls us to do.

Confession About Jesus

It was time for the disciples to break away from their religious system, and break toward Jesus.

27 Jesus went out, along with His disciples, to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way He questioned His disciples, saying to them, "Who do people say that I am?"

28 They told Him, saying, "John the Baptist; and others say Elijah; but others, one of the prophets."

29 And He continued by questioning them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter *answered and *said to Him, "You are the Christ."

Can you legitimately claim Jesus is Christ or Lord without understanding what that means?

30 And He warned them to tell no one about Him.

We trust Jesus because of Who he is. Tell people about the Who.
Evidence For The Confession

31 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, and after three days rise again.

32 And He was stating the matter plainly. And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him.

33 But turning around and seeing His disciples, He rebuked Peter and *said, "Get behind Me, Satan; for you are not setting your mind on God's interests, but man's."

Who Jesus is doesn't matter if he never took care of our sin problem. What Jesus did mattered. He did what no one else could or did do. We trust Jesus because of What he did. Tell people about the What.

Significance Of The Evidence

34 And He summoned the crowd with His disciples, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me.

Christians follow Jesus, nothing more, nothing less.

35 For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it.

36 For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul? 37 For what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

38 For 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."

Jesus calls for the total commitment of your life. Just as he totally committed his life for you.

Since he is The Christ, Jesus has a claim and a call upon our life. We must follow that call.