

Mark: Cleansing the Moral Poison of Society  
(Part 22) Understanding the Cost and Benefits of Following Jesus

When Jesus asked his disciples whom they believed he was, there was a variety of answers.

Peter declared Jesus to be \_\_\_\_\_ and Jesus did not \_\_\_\_\_ his answer.

(Mark 8:31) Jesus used that \_\_\_\_\_ moment to enlarge the disciples' understanding of his purpose.

Jesus refers to himself as the "Son of Man," another title for the anticipated Messiah.

In this, he openly \_\_\_\_\_ himself as Messiah.

He also tells the disciples what to expect as he moves forward.

Suffering, \_\_\_\_\_, death, and resurrection

(Mark 8:32-33) Peter tries to be \_\_\_\_\_ but is scolded by Jesus.

As has happened before, he is presenting a different \_\_\_\_\_ than what Jesus has planned.

*It appears as if Jesus accuses Peter of being in league with Satan.*

*In reality, Satan is continuing his attempts to tempt Jesus as he did in the wilderness.*

(Mark 8:34-38) Jesus sets forth the requirements for true \_\_\_\_\_.

He requires complete sacrifice and \_\_\_\_\_.

True disciples will unashamedly live their lives as a \_\_\_\_\_ to their belief and service to Christ.

*Jesus is to be the most important consideration in the lives of his followers.*

This is not a \_\_\_\_\_ or a \_\_\_\_\_ relationship.

(Mark 9:1-13) Jesus is divinely verified as the Messiah.

(v.1) Jesus tells the disciples they will see powerful evidence of the presence of the Kingdom.

(v.2-8) The disciples see the glory of God shining through Jesus but \_\_\_\_\_ its significance.

(v.2-4) They go to an \_\_\_\_\_ place, where Jesus' divinity is revealed and confirmed by the appearance of Moses and Elijah.

(v.5-6) Missing the magnificence of the moment.

(v.7-8) The \_\_\_\_\_ declares Jesus as his son for the second time.

(v.9-10) Jesus reinforces his earlier statement concerning his \_\_\_\_\_ death and resurrection.

The disciples are spiritually \_\_\_\_\_ and unable to process the amazing revelation they have received.

(v.11-13) Looking for a \_\_\_\_\_ that is right in front of their faces.

Elijah and the Messiah = John the Baptizer and Jesus.