

In His Likeness– Mark Scene 21 & 22

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Mark 9:2-13

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Reflection & Discussion Questions

When we left off in our Mark series Peter, The Rock, voiced out loud what he had come to believe about Jesus – He was the anointed one

Instead of the end of the story, this may actually be just the beginning of the disciples getting it.

*How has your experience of who Jesus is shifted over time?

Read and discuss Mark 8:31-35 (Nicolas Zola translation)

And he began to teach them that it is necessary for the Son of Humanity to suffer many things, and to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scholars, and to be killed, and after three days to rise again. Now he was speaking the word openly, but taking him aside, Rock began to reprimand him. But turning around and seeing his students, he reprimanded Rock, and says, “Get behind me, you accuser! For you are not considering God’s affairs, but human affairs.”

And calling for the crowd along with his students, he said to them, “If any want to come behind me, they must deny themselves and pick up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, but those who lose their life because of me and the good news will save it.

*What does this passage show us about God? About people?

*What is this passage saying to you? Is there something here to share with someone else?

Jesus’ face had begun changing from what the disciples expected to see

When we follow Jesus, our life takes on his likeness.

*What does denying yourself and picking up your cross look like in your context today?

*How does suffering factor into our growing likeness to Jesus?

And they kept the matter to themselves, discussing what rising up from the dead meant.

Mark 9:10

The disciples are beginning to ask better questions about what following Jesus means

Learning to ask better questions helps us to own our spiritual journey.

*How have reflections and questions helped you in your spiritual journey?

*What are some good questions to ask?

The face of Jesus was changing for those that were with him every day

Revisiting the stories of Jesus helps us to change.

*How is the face of Christ changing for you?

*How if the face of Christ changing you?