

THE Story

Lesson 13 Chapter 25 Jesus, the Son of God (Pt 1) p.353-358

1. Chapter 25 opens with Jesus' question to His disciples "Who do people say that I am?" (Page 353) What is the basic difference between how the people answered that question and the way Peter answered that question?
2. If someone were to ask you who Jesus is, how would you answer them?
3. What did the disciples need to understand and affirm about Jesus' identity before He could inform them of His impending death?
4. Why was Peter unable to accept Christ's teaching about His death?

What is the meaning of Christ's rebuke?

How does Matthew 4:8-10 provide us with some perspective on Jesus' rebuke of Peter?

5. Jesus then said to the crowd and his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must DENY themselves....

So what does that mean for us today? Check out Luke 12:9; 22:34

...and TAKE UP THEIR CROSS....

So what does that mean for us today?

...and FOLLOW me.

So what does that mean for us today?

6. What was your most memorable experience on a mountain?

How would you summarize the experience of Peter, James and John on a mountain? (p.354)

What does it mean to be "transfigured"?

Why was the transfiguration important for Jesus, his disciples and his future mission?

7. What would be the significance for the three disciples of the appearance of Moses and Elijah as well as the voice out of the cloud?

8. On the bottom of page 354 to the top of page 355 Jesus continues to inform his disciples about his future. And yet we are told, "they did understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it." Why do you think that was so?

9. From the bottom of page 355 to the middle page 358, the opposition against Jesus starts to intensify. Why weren't his opponents successful?

10. On the middle of page 356, Jesus offers "living water" to anyone who is thirsty..like He did to "the woman at the well." He also declares Himself to be "the light of the world." (P.357) Why did these claims upset the Pharisees?

11. And why did Jesus statement "before Abraham was born, I am" (page 358) upset the Pharisees?

12. As you review this portion of God's inspired Word, what truths do you learn about our humanity....sins to avoid & examples to follow

about our God... His promises to claim & His character to embrace