**Deny Yourself and Follow Jesus**

Mark 8:31-38

Key Verse: 8:34 “Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: ‘Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.’”

1. After hearing Peter’s confession, what did Jesus teach his disciples? (31) How would Jesus become the Messiah? (Isaiah 53:4,5; Acts 26:22-23)

2. How did Peter respond to Jesus’ teaching? Why was it hard for him to accept? (cf. Isaiah 11:4) Why did Jesus keep teaching his disciples about his suffering and death? (Mark 9:31; 10:33,34)

3. How did Jesus rebuke Peter? (33) Why did he call him “Satan”? (cf. Matthew 4:8-10) What does it mean to have in mind the concerns of men and the concerns of God?

4. What three things are required to be disciples of Jesus? (34) Think of each requirements? (cf. Galatians 2:20; Matthew 11:28-29; 1 Peter 2:21)

5. What does it mean to lose one’s life for Jesus and the gospel? (35) What warning does Jesus give to those who are ashamed of him and his words? (38)