

Disciple Makers: Right Teaching, Right Action | Mark 8:27-38

Ohana Group Discussion Questions: Week of May 26th, 2024

OVERVIEW

Discipleship requires great sacrifice and commitment, for whoever wants to be Jesus' disciple, must deny themselves (interests, pleasures, etc.) and take up their cross and follow him.

OHANA TIME!

Icebreaker: What are your plans for the summer? **Or** Do you have a favorite park/beach?

Activity: Plan a get-together for the summer!

PRAYER

Pray as a group: Ask God to help you become a faithful disciple of Jesus.

QUESTIONS: MARK 8:27-38

1. Why do you think Peter's confession that Jesus was the Messiah was such a pivotal moment in the disciples' journey with Jesus?
2. In what ways did Peter's reaction to Jesus' prediction of his suffering and death reveal a misunderstanding of Jesus' mission?
3. What did Jesus mean when he said, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me"? (Verse 34)
4. In what ways do you think the disciples understood or struggled with Jesus' call to self-denial and taking up the cross?
5. What does it mean to lose one's life for Jesus' sake and the gospel, and how does this concept play out in the life of a disciple?
6. How does Jesus' warning about gaining the whole world but forfeiting one's soul speak to the priorities and values of discipleship?
7. What role does commitment and perseverance play in following Jesus, especially in the face of challenges and opposition?
8. What does it mean to be ashamed of Jesus, and how can we overcome such challenges?

APPLICATION

1. How does embracing the call to self-denial and taking up the cross lead to a deeper and more meaningful relationship with Jesus as his disciple?
2. How can we support and encourage each other in living out the radical demands of discipleship as taught by Jesus?

