

Are You Ashamed of Jesus And His Word?

Mark 8: 27-38 - vs. 38

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Intro. **A.** Jesus traveled into the towns of Caesarea Philippi.
vs. 27 1. As He traveled with His disciples, He asked them a question:
2. "Whom do men say that I am"?

B. The answers of the disciples.
vs. 28 1. Some say John the Baptist.
2. Some say Elijah. Malachi 4:5-6.
3. Others say, One of the prophets.

C. Jesus quizzed His followers, His disciples.
vs. 29 1. "But whom say ye that I am" ?
2. Peter answered for them all.
3. "Thou art the Christ".
vs. 30 4. He commanded them not to tell what they knew Him to be.
5. Don't stumble at this. Remember, His command was not to talk.

I. The Bad News That Is The Good News.

A. The bad news to His disciples.
vs. 31a 1. "And he began to teach them...".
2. "...that the Son of man must suffer many things."
3. "...and be rejected of the elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes, ^{to disapprove after a trial}
4. "...and be killed..." = ἀποκτείνω = slay
To put an end to life.

B. The good news they did not comprehend.
vs. 31b 1. "...and after three days Rise again...".
2. I Cor. 15:1-4
3. Acts 2: 22-24

C. The ruling principle of being His disciple. ②

Vs. 35 1. "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it".

"save" = σώσω = to preserve safe from danger, loss X

"life" = ψυχή = breath of animal life, "breath" OR destruction

"lose" = ἀπόλλυμι = to destroy utterly, to lose totally

The fundamental thought is, ruin, loss, what is lost to another, as a sheep lost to the fold, and the shephard.

"Whoever cares for his own safety is lost" - NEB ^{lost to} the cause

3. "... but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake, and the gospel's the same shall save it".

"lose" = (same as above)

"life" = (same as above)

"for my sake" = ἕνεκα = because of, by reason of, ^{on} account of

"gospel's" = εὐαγγέλιον = from Homer to Plutarch, the reward of a good message. Later Greek writers use it

in the sense of good message. It is used with

Kingdom, God, Christ, peace, salvation, grace, The

death, burial, and resurrection is a good message,

it is welcome truth.

"save" = (same as above)

III. Two Questions We Must Answer.

A. Where is the profit?

Vs. 36 1. "For what shall it profit a man, if he

shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

"profit" = ὠφελέω = to further, help, benefit; to be

of service to any one.

"gain" = κερδαίνω = to derive advantage from"

"lose" = ζημιόω = to suffer loss, to lose, to inflict

a penalty, to suffer loss, to be a loser.

"Soul" = ψυχή = breath, hence one's life.