

Mark @ Fairfield

“A Great Answer, Right and Wrong” (8:27-38)

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Peter's Confession (27-30)

- Peter's confession
- Turning point in Mark
- Hindsight (1:1)
- Matthew 16:17-18
- John 1:40-42

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What is the Messiah? (31-33)

- Jewish expectations
- The suffering servant (31)
- Peter's response (32)
- Jesus' rebuke (33)
- Pattern for Christian discipleship
- Our response — Phil 3:10

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Christian Discipleship (34)

- Our expectations: respectability
- Our expectations: rules (Gal 5:19-21)
- Deny oneself
- Take up one's cross
- Follow Jesus

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Christian Discipleship, ctd.

- Modern therapeutic culture:
“finding oneself”;
being true to oneself;
self-esteem
- Jesus vs. the cult of self (35)
- What is at stake (36-37)
- Standing with Jesus (38)

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Conclusion

- Mark 8:34-38 vs. 7:20-23
- How to hold these together
- Living it out

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