

GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

May 22, 2022 Luke 9:18-27 "Messiahship and Discipleship"

QUESTIONS

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

- 1. In verse 19, the disciples describe people with positive, but incorrect views about who Jesus is. What are some incorrect views about Jesus we see in our culture today? How are these views insufficient?
 - o How can we best engage people who have an incomplete understanding about Jesus' identity?
- 2. What are some ways this passage demonstrates the relationship between our view of Jesus (Christology) and our discipleship?
 - o How does our understanding of Jesus and his Messiahship affect our following after him? Why is it important that these two are irrevocably tied together?
- 3. Jesus commands his disciples to take up their cross daily and follow him. What would this teaching have meant for the first century disciples?
 - o How does this understanding of cross-bearing impact our interpretation of what Jesus is calling us to today?
- 4. What are some of the ways following Jesus might require sacrifice from us? What might this look like for us in our context?
 - o How can we encourage one another in this daily pursuit as we face rejection, put sin to death, and do hard things for the gospel?
 - o How does v. 23 speak against our modern, comfort-obsessed culture?
- 5. Tony mentioned that Jesus is not just the King, but the King who went to the cross for his people. Why is it important for us to recognize that Jesus is both the reigning King and merciful Savior?
 - o How does a recognition of what Christ has accomplished motivate our glad obedience to his commands?
- 6. In v. 26, Jesus highlights that we are not to be ashamed of him or his words. Why is it important that Jesus includes a call not to be ashamed of his words?
 - o Why is it impossible to say that we like Jesus but not everything in his Word?
- 7. Those who are unashamed of Jesus have the assurance that suffering will not last forever because glory is coming. How does this truth encourage us as we face difficulties in following Christ?
 - o How does this reality help us value our eternal lives more than worldly pursuits and temporary pleasures?