

The
GOSPEL
according to
MARK



THE FIRST & SECOND LETTERS OF PETER | THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK

MARK 8

THE MAIN POINT OF MARK 8

You must give up a self-centered life to follow Jesus as God's appointed ruler.

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1. To follow Jesus, you must embrace that he is God's king (verses 27–30).

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called Wonderful
Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his
government and of peace there will be no end,
on the throne of David and over his kingdom
to establish it and to uphold it.”

— *Isaiah 9:6–7*

“¹There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.
²And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him....
³And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked....”

— *Isaiah 11:1–10*

“...⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. ⁶The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat....⁹They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.”

— *Isaiah 11:1–10 continued*

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“He was despised and rejected by men;
a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;
and as one from whom men hide their faces
he was despised, and we esteemed him not.”

— *Isaiah 53:3*

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“But turning and seeing his disciples,
he rebuked Peter and said,
‘Get behind me, Satan!
*For you are not setting your mind
on the things of God,
but on the things of man.*’”

— *Mark 8:33*

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2. To follow Jesus, you must embrace that he came to suffer (verses 31–33).
3. To follow Jesus, you must reject a self-centered life (verses 34–38).

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