

# MARK

## THE JESUS I NEVER KNEW

*Mark 8:27-31 p. 844*

Jesus: Who? The Christ

Jesus is the Christ

The Conclusion

In the middle of Mark (8:27-30)

At the beginning of Mark (1:1-3)

Being Christ also means being:

The Son of God

The Lord (our God)

The Case

Jesus: Why? The Cross

Mark 8:31– The announcement

Before-the postponement of it.

After- the prominence of it.

## Sermon Study Guide

(Reminder: The purpose of the questions is to explore the text and themes of the sermon. **Do not feel a need to go through all of the questions, but try to discuss/study some in each category.** The goal is to stimulate discussion/reflection and transformation related to the sermon text and themes.)

*Read 8:27-37*

What stood out from the sermon on Sunday?

What major themes do you remember from the sermon?

### Cultural Perspective

Being Christ means Deity and also Death

In the first half of the book, Mark proved the deity of Christ.

1. What do you remember from the book thus far that has proven Jesus to be God?
2. What has been most convincing for you?
3. In what ways did people misinterpret the proofs of His identity? (Verse 29, 6:14,15)
4. In what preconceived idea of the messiah were their beliefs rooted in?
5. Based on what we know of Peter, how is it encouraging that he confesses Christ as the messiah in verse 29?
6. Based on Matthews account in chapter 16:17, where does the ability to see him as the Christ come from?
7. In verse 31, what is implied by the words “began” and “must”?
8. Why does Jesus wait until after this confession to share the necessity of His death?
9. What are the dangers of separating the person of Christ from the work of Christ?