

# MARKED BY JESUS

## 15. “Mistaken Identity”

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### Sermon Notes

## **The Resurrection Life HINGES ON UNDERSTANDING JESUS’ IDENTITY AND OUR IDENTITY AS HIS FOLLOWERS**

*Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. <sup>3</sup> For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. Colossians 3:1-3*

### **I. Mark 8:27-31**

<sup>27</sup> Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, “Who do people say I am?” <sup>28</sup> They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” <sup>29</sup> “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?” Peter answered, “You are the Messiah.” <sup>30</sup> Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him. <sup>31</sup> He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again.

## **OUR RESURRECTION IDENTITY IS ROOTED IN JESUS AS A SUFFERING MESSIAH**

<sup>22</sup> *But God has helped me to this very day; so I stand here and testify to small and great alike. I am saying nothing beyond what the prophets and Moses said would happen— <sup>23</sup> that the Messiah would suffer and, as the first to rise from the dead, would bring the message of light to his own people and to the Gentiles.”*

<sup>24</sup> *At this point Festus interrupted Paul’s defense. “You are out of your mind, Paul!” he shouted. “Your great learning is driving you insane.”*

*Acts 26:22-24*

## **II. Mark 8:32-33**

<sup>32</sup> He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.<sup>33</sup> But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. “Get behind me, Satan!” he said. “You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”

### **OUR RESURRECTION IDENTITY IS ROOTED IN THE UNDERSTANDING THAT REBUKE IS NOT REJECTION**

<sup>5</sup> *And have you completely forgotten this word of encouragement that addresses you as a father addresses his son? It says, “My son, do not make light of the Lord’s discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, <sup>6</sup> because the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.” <sup>7</sup> Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. Hebrews 12:5-7*

## **III. Mark 8:34-9:1**

<sup>34</sup> Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup> For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. <sup>36</sup> What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? <sup>37</sup> Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? <sup>38</sup> If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father’s glory with the holy angels.”

<sup>9:1</sup> And he said to them, “Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power.”

### **OUR RESURRECTION IDENTITY IS ROOTED IN SELF DENIAL AND SACRIFICE SO WE CAN DWELL IN GOD’S PRESENCE**

<sup>21</sup> *To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.*

<sup>22</sup> *“He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.”*

<sup>23</sup> *When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. 1 Peter 2:21- 23*