

## **LIBERATING DISCIPLESHIP**

### **WEEK TWO – “No Cheap Grace Here!” (Mark 8:27-38)**

#### **STUDY QUESTIONS FOR JULY 21 –**

1. What is your definition of grace and what do you believe are the components of grace?
2. How have you experienced grace in your life?
3. What do you think people mean when they talk about “cheap grace?”
4. In our scripture today (notice this is Mark’s shorter version of Peter’s confession that we used in worship on July 3<sup>rd</sup>) whom do you have in mind when we say “Jesus the Christ?” Is this any different from, “Jesus, the historical figure” that historians and biblical scholars write about?
5. Is it possible to know Christ beyond just our intellect?
6. What do you think it means to confess Christ?
7. What does it mean to “know” Christ?
8. Why did Peter rebuke Jesus after Jesus told them that he would be delivered, rejected and executed by the chief priests and scribes?
9. Why did Jesus call Peter a “satan” for trying to rebuke him?
10. What does it mean to take up a “our” cross and follow Jesus?
11. In Mark 8:35-36 when Jesus says, “For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it” what is he inviting his disciples to participate in?
12. What is the difference between right belief and right practice? How does this relate to what Jesus is trying to tell his disciples in this passage from Mark?