

A Ransom for Many

Gospel of Mark Series – Part 33

Scripture text – Mark 10:32-45

Introduction

- While not immediately obvious, this passage is about _____.

The Gift the Disciples Wanted

- The first thing the disciples wanted was for Jesus to give them whatever they _____ for.
- We can be _____ with God, so long as we are _____ and submissive to his _____.
- What they *most* wanted was _____ & _____.
- Jesus addressed this previously. Greatness in the kingdom of God is defined by how much as person _____.
- Our criticism of the disciples should be tempered by the acknowledgement of our own _____ for recognition, prestige and so forth.
- Our longing should be for _____ glory, not self-glory. This is typically an _____ struggle.

The Gift the Disciples *Didn't* Want

- “To drink the cup” is an OT metaphor for _____, and baptism (in this context) means to suffer _____.
- In the aftermath of WWII, and in anticipation of the rise of Soviet totalitarianism, Father Kolakovic made it his mission to prepare Christians to _____. We too need to prepare.
- How to prepare:
 1. Saturate ourselves with _____;
 2. Tighten our _____;
 3. Reduce our _____ of worldly success; and
 4. Have a highly-developed theology of _____.
- We must not view suffering for Christ as _____ or _____.

The Gift the Disciples Needed

- Jesus wanted his disciples not only to understand _____ would happen, but also _____.
- To “ransom” means to deliver by _____.
- Can’t God just forgive sin?
 - Level 1: God’s _____ requires a payment for sin.
 - Level 2: All life-changing love requires a substitutionary _____
(quote from Tim Keller).

Conclusion

- So, we end in the best place: Reflecting on the beauty & glory of _____.