

A reading from the Gospel of Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples were going to the towns around Caesarea Philippi. On the way, Jesus asked them, "Who do other people think I am?"

They told him, "Some think you are John the Baptist or one of the prophets."

Then Jesus said, "Who do you think I am?"

Peter said, "You are the Messiah, the Christ."

Jesus told his disciples not to tell that to anyone.

Then Jesus began to teach his disciples that he was going to suffer very much. He told them that he was going to be killed, but that he would rise again after 3 days. He said all of this very clearly so that the disciples would know what was going to happen.

Peter took Jesus away from the group and told him not to say those things. Jesus looked at the disciples and then he scolded Peter, and said, "Go away from me! You are talking like Satan. You want things to be just as human beings want them. You don't care what God wants!"

Then Jesus spoke to all the disciples and the people who were there with them. He said, "Those who want to be my disciples will not be able to have everything the way they want it. My disciples must accept the cross and follow me. Those who live this way because of me and because of the Good News, will live with me forever."

The Gospel of the Lord.



In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about who He is and what it means to be His disciple.

It is important for us to see that sometimes we have to give up something in order to follow Jesus. He gave up His life for our sins and that was a really big sacrifice!

There are many ways that we can make little sacrifices so we can be just like Jesus. For example, have you ever given up your favourite toy to a friend to play with? Or shared your bike with a younger sibling who does not have a bike?

What are other ways you can make little sacrifices in YOUR life?



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