



The Gospel – Week 4 (Mark 8:22-38)

Discussion:

1. What was the most important take-away for you from this week's message?
2. In this week's text, Jesus restores sight to a blind man. How was that man's life affected by his lack of vision? What does it mean to be spiritually blind? How does spiritual blindness affect us?
3. How important were the blind man's friends in his journey to Jesus? Application: What does that mean for those of us who have our eyes opened by Jesus?
4. Why do you think the blind man's sight wasn't fully restored at first (v. 24)? Why did Jesus lay hands on him twice?
5. Application: What are some ways in which your spiritual vision can be imperfect or obscured?
6. Why did Jesus ask his disciples who other people said he was (v. 27)? What's the truly important question Jesus asks (see v. 29)?

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7. Why is this question so important? What hinges on your response to this question?

8. What does Peter's rebuke of Jesus (v. 32) tell you about his understanding of Jesus' mission as "the Christ" (v. 29)? Even with his correct confession about Jesus, does Peter really understand what it means?

9. What does it mean to see Jesus fully and clearly? What do verses 34-38 tell us about what it means to follow him? What does this look like in your life?

10. Can you summarize the theological message of this text? How would you state the core message in one sentence?