



Series: Follow the King
Title: The King and His Cross
Mark 8:27-9:1

8²⁷ And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?"²⁸ And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets."²⁹ And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ."³⁰ And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

³¹ And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." ³⁴ And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶ For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷ For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸ For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." ^{9:1} And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power."

◇ Invitation of Jesus: "Take up your _____ and _____ me."

1. _____ it means.
2. _____ it's possible.
3. _____ you would do it.

Follow the King:

1. _____ it means.

- Mark 8:34

- _____ myself.
- Take up my _____.

2. **How it's possible.**

- Mark 8:31

- The _____ went to his cross.
- It was _____ for Jesus to _____ and _____ on a cross.
-Mark 8:31
 - It was necessary to accomplish _____.
 - It was necessary for _____.

◇ It is only possible for _____ to take up _____ because _____ took up _____.

3. _____ you would do it.

- Mark 8:35

- It is only by _____ your life in Christ that you will _____ it.
- It is the only way to _____ that _____.
- One day Jesus _____.