THE WAY OF THE CROSS *from* MARK 8:27-9:1

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In the first half of the Gospel of Mark, Jesus establishes His authority over demons, disease, sin, nature and death. Mark now turns our attention to the purpose for which Christ came into our world – to give His life a ransom for many (Mark 10:45). Jesus now prepares His disciples for the critical hour which is to come and turns towards the cross.

I. Our Lord's Person (8:27-30)

1. First Question (27-28) – Who do people say I am?

2. Second Question (29-30) – Who do you say I am?

II. Our Lord's Passion (8:31-33)

1. The revelation (8:31)

2. The rebukes 8:32-33)

III. Our Lord's Proposition (8:34 – 9:1)

1. The issue of discipleship (34)

2. The issue of life (35)

3. The issue of value (36-37)

4. The issue of devotion (38)

5. The issue of death (9:1)