

## THE CHRIST AND THE COST

MARK 8:27-9:1

## **LOOKING BACK** (Care and Accountability)

- Take a moment for everyone to share any highlights from the week and any recent difficulties or challenges. Then take a moment to pray for these things.
- Ask, "How'd it go this week living out what we learned last week?"
- · Ask, "Did anyone care for anyone? Did you reach or teach anyone this week?"

## **LOOKING UP** (Scripture and Questions)

- Summarize the teaching from Mark 8:27-9:1 and then have someone read it aloud.
- Pray and ask God to help the group learn together and obey what they learn.
- Discuss the following questions and support your answers with a verse in the passage:
  - 1. What gets your attention in this particular reading?
  - 2. What is something that you learn about God/Jesus/Holy Spirit in this reading?
  - 3. What is something that you learn about people/humanity/yourself in this reading?
  - 4. Is there a particular sin to avoid, command to obey, example to follow or promise to celebrate in this reading?
  - 5. What is something that you are going to do in response to what you've learned?

## **LOOKING FORWARD** (Goals and Commissioning)

- Set a goal as a group on how you can live out what you've learned this week.
- · Ask, "Who can you care for this week, and who can you reach or teach this week?"
- Pray and ask God to help everyone do what they committed to do this week.