

Praying with Scripture

Mark 8:31-end

Jesus Predicts His Death

³¹ Jesus then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again.

³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. **Get behind me, Satan!** he said. **You do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men.**

³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: **If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.**

³⁵ **For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it.**

³⁶ **What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul?**

³⁷ **Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?**

³⁸ **If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels.**



Read this scripture several times, then choose the word or phrase or sentence that means most to you today.

Reflect on the words and ask God to show you why they are important to you at this time.

Give thanks for the opportunity to hear God's voice; ask Him to guide you today and always.

Be blessed. Know that you are blessed.