

## WHAT DISCIPLES DO

### MARK 8:34-38

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1. To follow Jesus, \_\_\_\_\_  
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<sup>34</sup> 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. <sup>35</sup> For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. <sup>36</sup> For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?

<sup>37</sup> For what can a man give in return for his soul? <sup>38</sup> 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.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*These questions are for further study and application of today's text of Scripture. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. One of the best ways to grow as a disciple is by discussing these types of questions in a small group. Find a small group here: [gracebiblecw.com/lifegroup](http://gracebiblecw.com/lifegroup) or ask someone next to you if you can join their group!*

- 1) Read Mark 8:34-38. What stood out to you from what Jesus says in Mark 8:34-38?
  
- 2) Read Luke 12:19-21. What are you tempted to gain for your life, rather than giving your life away for Jesus and the gospel?
  
- 3) Read Matthew 10:32-39. How are you doing at associating with Jesus in front of other people?
  
- 4) How does the fact Jesus is coming back give you confidence not to be ashamed of his name today?
  
- 5) The P.L.S. challenge:
  - *Pray*: What is one name of a lost friend you can commit to pray for daily this week?
  - *Live*: What is one thing you can do to make your faith “visible” to your neighbors or coworkers this week?
  - *Speak*: What “God-moment” from your life can you share in a 30-second conversation with someone this week?
  
- 6) We see that Peter failed miserably but was restored and eventually followed Jesus to the very end. How does Peter's “honest failure” encourage you when you feel like you aren't “measuring up” as a disciple?