



BORN TO DIE (CHICKEN OR PIG?) CHRISTMAS TO EASTER #9 (MARK 8:27-38)

While preparing for today, I thought a lot about what it might be like to walk as a disciple with Jesus from one town and village to another (not knowing what I know today). To hear Jesus' teachings, to ask questions, to see healings, to be amazed and confused... To see people begin to follow along behind us, eventually becoming crowds. Watching as Jesus turns a small basket of food into a feast for thousands of people so that none went hungry... And I would always be wondering what miraculous thing would happen next. - Gerry Dunlap

NOTES:

1: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS - VV.27-30

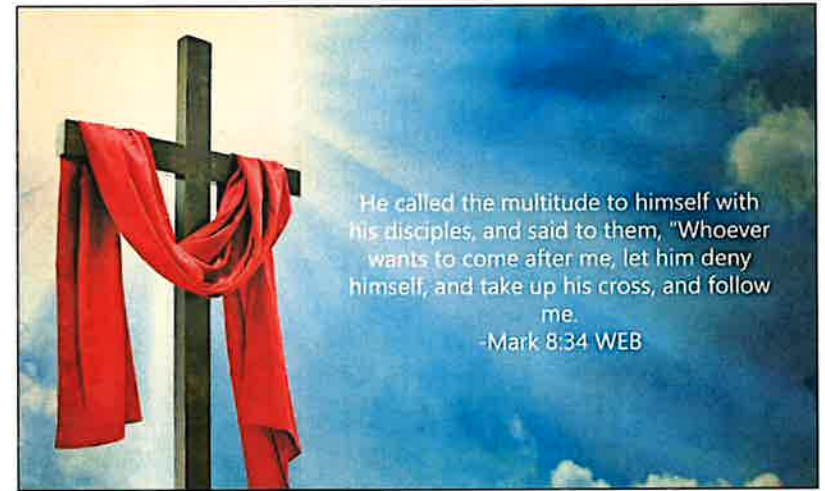
2: PROPHECY AND REBUKES - VV.31-33

3: CHARGING THE CROWD - V.34

4: REWARD AND WARNING - V.35

5: THE ULTIMATE REBUKE - VV.36-38

6: JOYFUL GOAL - HEBREWS 12:2



*"When the whole world is running towards a cliff,
—he who is running in the opposite direction
appears to have lost his mind." -C.S. Lewis*

**Covenant Presbyterian Church
of
Reno, Nevada**

February 25, 2024

Service for The Lord's Day

February 25, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. - Mark 8:34-35

We Gather in the Name of Jesus, the Way, the Truth & the Life

Prelude Nancy Tedford, piano
Greetings and Church Family News Pastor Jay Hull
Minute for Mission Chris & Amanda Schlatter
Choral Introit Covenant Choir
Call to Worship Psalm 111 (hymnal p.826)

We Worship Jesus Who Is The Messiah

***Opening Hymn** "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" #1

***Time of Greeting**

Children's Prayer Time Katie Guerrero

**Prayer of Confession, Word of Assurance
& Gloria Patri (#734)**

Time of Offering

Offertory Anthem

Covenant Choir

"In the Shadow of the Cross" – Dengler

***Doxology (#731) & Prayer of Thanksgiving**

God's Word Shows Us How to Live

***Hymn of Preparation**

#610

"Take Up Your Cross the Savior Said"

Scripture Reading:

Mark 8:27-39 (p.844)

Message: Born to Die (Chicken or Pig?) Elder Gerry Dunlap
(The Rescue: Christmas to Easter #9)

We Go Forth to Follow Jesus Christ Our Lord & Savior

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

"Lift High the Cross"

#263

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

Nancy Tedford, organ

* indicates to stand if you are able

Hymns for February 25th

All People That on Earth Do Dwell (#1)

- 1 All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him and rejoice.
- 2 The Lord ye know is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3 O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.
- 4 For why? The Lord our God is good,
his mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

"Take Up Your Cross," the Savior Said (#610)

- 1 "Take up your cross," the Savior said, "if you would my disciple be;
take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after me."
- 2 Take up your cross; let not its weight
fill your weak soul with vain alarm;
his strength shall bear your spirit up,
and brace your heart and nerve your arm.

- 3 Take up your cross; nor heed the shame,
and let your foolish pride be still;
your Lord refused not e'en to die upon a cross, on Calv'ry's hill.
- 4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength,
and calmly sin's wild deluge brave;
'twill guide you to a better home, it points to glory o'er the grave.
- 5 Take up your cross, and follow on, nor think till death to lay it down;
for only he who bears the cross
may hope to wear the glorious crown.

Lift High the Cross (#263)

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
till all the world adore his sacred name.

- 1 Come, brethren, follow where our Savior trod,
our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. [*Refrain*]
- 2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. [*Refrain*]
- 3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw men unto thee. [*Refrain*]
- 4 Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease
beneath the shadow of its healing peace. [*Refrain*]
- 5 For thy blest cross which doth for us atone,
creation's praises rise before thy throne. [*Refrain*]