

SERMON OUTLINE FOR MARCH 1, 2015

"What's In It For Me?"

Mark 8:27-38

INTRODUCTION: "30 years of complaining"

- I. PETER ASKS JESUS: WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?
 - A. Peter had a dream of personal glory (vv. 27-29)
 - B. Jesus puts an end to this dream (vv. 31-33)
- II. TODAY WE ASK: WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?
 - A. Peter's dream continues today in our lives
 - B. Jesus rejects this devilish form of Christianity (v. 33)
 - C. Today we face the same devilish temptation
 - D. The cross puts an end to "what can I get out of it Christianity (v. 31)
- III. THIS MORNING ... WHAT <u>CAN</u> WE GET OUT OF IT?
 - A. Losing our lives in Jesus (v. 34)
 - B. Finding our lives in Jesus (v. 35)
 - C. Rediscovering an old vision of <u>being servants for Jesus' sake</u> (2 Corinthians 4:5)

CONCLUSION: "The elderly widow's challenge to the millionaire"