

# Faithfully Following Jesus

Text: Mark 8:34-38

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INTRODUCTION: As Christians, we have made a pledge to become disciples of Christ. But what does it mean to faithfully follow Jesus. I want to share five things that we should know about our faithfulness to Christ . . . . .

DISCUSSION:

## I. **Personal Faith**

*“Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me” (Mark 8:34)*

## II. **Public Faith**

*“For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel’s will save it” (Mark 8:35)*

## III. **Preserving Faith**

*“For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?” (Mark 8:36)*

## IV. **Passionate Faith**

*“Or what will a man give in exchange for His soul?” (Mark 8:37)*

## V. **Professing Faith**

*“For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels.” (Mark 8:38)*

CONCLUSION: Will you faithfully follow Jesus? Are you prepared to make your faith living, active, and real? Your eternal joy and reward depends on how you live your life.

WORD OF THE DAY = “**Faith**”

