**God’s Servant Receives Praise**

**Mark 10:35-11:10**

**Main Idea: Jesus is the Sovereign King who is worthy of our complete devotion. He is a King like no other in His humility, love, power, saving work and future glory.**

**Jesus is worthy of our devotion because . . .**

**Reason #1: Jesus’ Service of Redemption.**

*For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who* ***gave himself as a ransom for all****, which is the testimony given at the proper time.” (1 Timothy 2:5-6* [*ESV*](https://accordance.bible/link/read/ESVS#1Tim._2:5)*)*

*He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom* ***we have redemption****, the forgiveness of sins.” (Colossians 1:13-14* [*ESV*](https://accordance.bible/link/read/ESVS#Col._1:13)*)*

*knowing that* ***you were ransomed*** *from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.” (1 Peter 1:18-19* [*ESV*](https://accordance.bible/link/read/ESVS#1Pet._1:18)*)*

Truth: The price to ransom us from the dark kingdom is this noble King’s humiliation, His open mockery, His punishment for our sin, His shame, His condemnation by the Father on our behalf.

Question: Why do we devote our whole lives to following Jesus?

Answer: Because Jesus is the King who ransoms us out of the kingdom of darkness and welcomes us into the kingdom of light.

Gospel: There is only one place to go if you wish to be delivered from the Failing and Fallen Kingdom and to belong to the Fruitful and Forever Kingdom. King Jesus alone pays that ransom and He alone can bring liberty to your life.

**Reason #2: Jesus’ Gift of Sight.**

*When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.” (2 Samuel 7:12-13* [*ESV*](https://accordance.bible/link/read/ESVS#2Sam._7:12)*)*

*“For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.” (2 Corinthians 4:6* [*ESV*](https://accordance.bible/link/read/ESVS#2Cor._4:6)*)*

Truth: Conversion is an explosion of light in our soul. Conversion brings a radical change from darkness to light, from blindness to seeing the God of glory.

Truth: Longing faith finds a way to get to Jesus even though big barriers block them. Pray for such a faith!

Question: Why do we devote our whole lives to following Jesus?

Answer: Because He opens our eyes to see God in His glory and wonder.

*“For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.” (Psalm 36:9* [*ESV*](https://accordance.bible/link/read/ESVS#Psa._36:9)*)*

**Reason #3: Jesus’ Identity as King: Jesus arrives humbly to serve His people.**

Three majestic attributes Jesus possesses:

Majestic Attribute #1: This King possesses infinite knowledge.

Majestic Attribute #2: This King possesses sovereign authority.

Majestic Attribute #3: This King possesses kingly glory.

Question: Why do we devote our whole lives to following Jesus?

Answer: Because He is the King of Glory. There is no other King like Him.