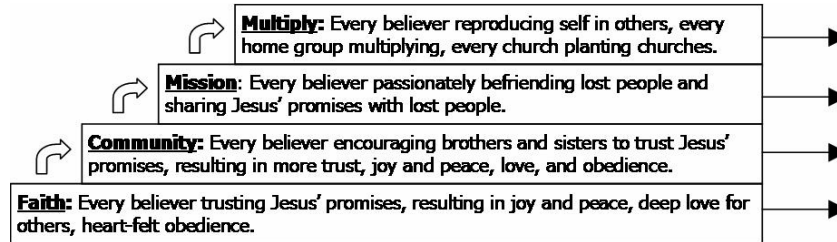


# Filling our City with the Gospel: Mission

Mark 8:34-38 — October 18, 2009



## Who is Jesus talking to?

Jesus is talking to everyone about what it means to follow Jesus (34).

## What does it mean to follow Jesus?

Not martyrdom, because in Luke Jesus calls us to take up our crosses *daily* (Luke 9:23).

Jesus is calling us to devote our lives to Him and the gospel (35).

This means devoting our lives to making Jesus known to people who don't know Him (38).

That's what it means to follow Jesus.

## What's at stake in whether or not I do this?

Eternity is at stake (35-38).

Not because we earn eternal life through evangelism.

We only receive eternal life through trusting Jesus.

But if we trust Jesus, then we will trust His call to devote our lives to evangelism.

So our devotion to evangelism shows whether or not we truly trust Jesus.

## Where do I start?

Trust Jesus to do this in you (Mark 1:17).

Abide in Christ (John 15).

Nurture love for people who don't know Jesus.

Make connections with people who don't know Jesus.

Learn their stories, hope, dreams.

Serve and love and care for them.

Share the gospel with them.

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Pray for them.

Be part of a group of people with this same purpose.

