

JESUS: HIS POWER AND PASSION

Introduction:

Jesus boldly proclaims that He is “the way, and the truth, and the life.” Yet the world often paints an incomplete picture of Christ. In the scriptures, we find that Jesus is both Lord and Savior, velvet and steel.

A HEART FOR PEOPLE (Mark 1:29-34)

- What impresses you about Jesus in this passage?
- After a long day of preaching and giving, Jesus still wanted to heal and help the people.
- How do most people respond to others when they are tired or have had a long day? How about you?

A HEART FOR THE FATHER (Mark 1:35-39)

- Jesus had His priorities straight.
- He had a deep desire to walk with the Father.
- How is your commitment going in regard to making sure you spend time with God?

A HEART FOR THE HURTING (Mark 1:40-42)

- Jesus shows His great compassion by touching a leper.
- Jesus has a true desire to heal our own pains and hurts.
- What would our world be like if we all had His heart? What kind of people are hardest for you to be around at times?

THE POWER OF JESUS (Mark 4:35-41)

- Jesus shows His power over all of nature.
- Jesus calls us to have faith, even when things look hopeless!
- When the storms of life hit our lives, what kind of things do we tend to put our faith in?

THE PERSECUTION OF JESUS (Mark 6:1-7)

- The hard teachings of Jesus incited opposition.
- Despite opposition, Jesus continued to preach the Word of God.
- What are some of the main reasons why people shrink back from doing right when things get tough?

THE PASSION OF JESUS (Mark 11:15-17)

- With His passion for holiness, Jesus would not allow the temple to be defiled.
- With His passion to uphold the Father’s honor, Jesus wanted the temple to be a place of worship.
- What should passion for God look like in our own lives?

THE PERSEVERANCE OF JESUS (Mark 14:35-36)

- Jesus faced tremendous pressure and agony before He actually died on the cross.
- Despite the challenges, Jesus still chose to do God’s will over His own.
- What things do you think motivated Jesus to continue doing what was right? How can that relate to your life as one of His followers?

Conclusion:

With a big heart for people, a power over all of nature and a willingness to sacrifice His own comforts for the sake of others, we should all be motivated to follow Jesus Christ in our daily lives—the One who is Lord and Savior of us all!