Mark 10: 32-35

Jesus Again Predicts His Death

"They were on their way up to Jerusalem, with Jesus leading the way, and the disciples were astonished, while those who followed were afraid. Again he took the Twelve aside and told them what was going to happen to him. 'We are going up to Jerusalem,' he said, 'and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles, who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him. Three days later he will rise.' "

See also <u>Matthew 20: 17-19</u> and Luke 18: 31-33.

Jesus was God in the flesh, and as such, he was in complete control of his entire life, even his death. He knew and told his disciples exactly what was going to happen to him, that he would be betrayed, condemned to death and killed, but rise again on the third day. Notice the meticulous detail of Jesus prophecy.

The disciples, who thought he was going to build an earthly kingdom and overthrow the Roman authorities, were not ready to hear this. Had I been there myself, I would not have been ready to hear it either!!

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