MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK: Mark 9:35 *Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all."*

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 25

***Read Mark 9* – Help My Unbelief**

1. Does our worthiness before God depend on the size of our faith?
2. We go about this world with imperfect belief and faith. How is our faith improved?
3. How does Jesus illustrate the highest importance of not letting anything or anyone come between you and your Savior?

- **Prayer Focus:** ***For our church congregation, Faith Lutheran Church, Marietta GA.***

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

***Read Mark 10*—Jesus Foretells His Death a Third Time**

1. Jesus offers the rich young man a new way to eternal life. Is this way really about riches or something else?
2. James and John ask to be on Jesus' left and right in His glory. Jesus says they know not what they ask. Might he be referring to the two on his left and right at the glory cross?
3. Jesus heals the blind man. Do we see and then believe? Is Jesus an easy person to understand just by listening and seeing?

- **Prayer Focus:** ***For our Pastor Carl and his family.***

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

***Read Mark 11* - Jesus Enters Jerusalem on the Way to the Cross**

1. Like the fig tree, if we bear no good fruit and if we are not forgiving, what does Jesus say is missing?
2. When is authority good? Why is authority in today's world often bad?
3. Who is Jesus' exercising his authority for? The rich, the strong, the first in line? He tells us over and over again.

- **Prayer Focus:** ***For our Faith Lutheran Church, Marietta GA leadership, staff, service assistants, and volunteers.***

MY NOTES

My Insights / My Questions

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

***Read Mark 12* – Love God, Love Your Neighbor**

1. Does the vineyard owner's patience eventually wear out? Does God's?
2. The Sadducees wrap up the discussion of resurrection in legalism, the law, that it makes no sense. How does Jesus answer, with the law or with a promise?
3. In v.34 Jesus says to the scribe, "You are not far from the kingdom of God". Is the kingdom of God standing right beside the scribe at that point?

- **Prayer Focus:** ***For our school, Faith Lutheran School, Marietta GA; the principal, staff, teachers, and students.***

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

***Read Mark 13* – The Promise and Power of Jesus' Return**

1. What is the connection between Jesus' second coming and His mission to suffer and die on the cross for us?
2. What comfort can believers take from Jesus' powerful description of His return?
3. Why did God create the time before Jesu's second coming? Should our focus be on the end times?

- **Prayer Focus:** ***For our Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and its president, Pastor Harrison.***

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

***Read Mark 14* – Plotting Jesus' Arrest**

1. How did Jesus make the woman's offering of the perfume even more significant than it already was?
2. How can we understand Jesus' seeming hesitance to complete His mission on the cross?
3. It is believed That Mark's words of institution of the Lord's supper are the oldest recorded. How do these simple words support our Lutheran communion doctrine?

- **Prayer Focus:** ***For the whole Christian church on earth; in all corners, in all countries, and on all continents.***