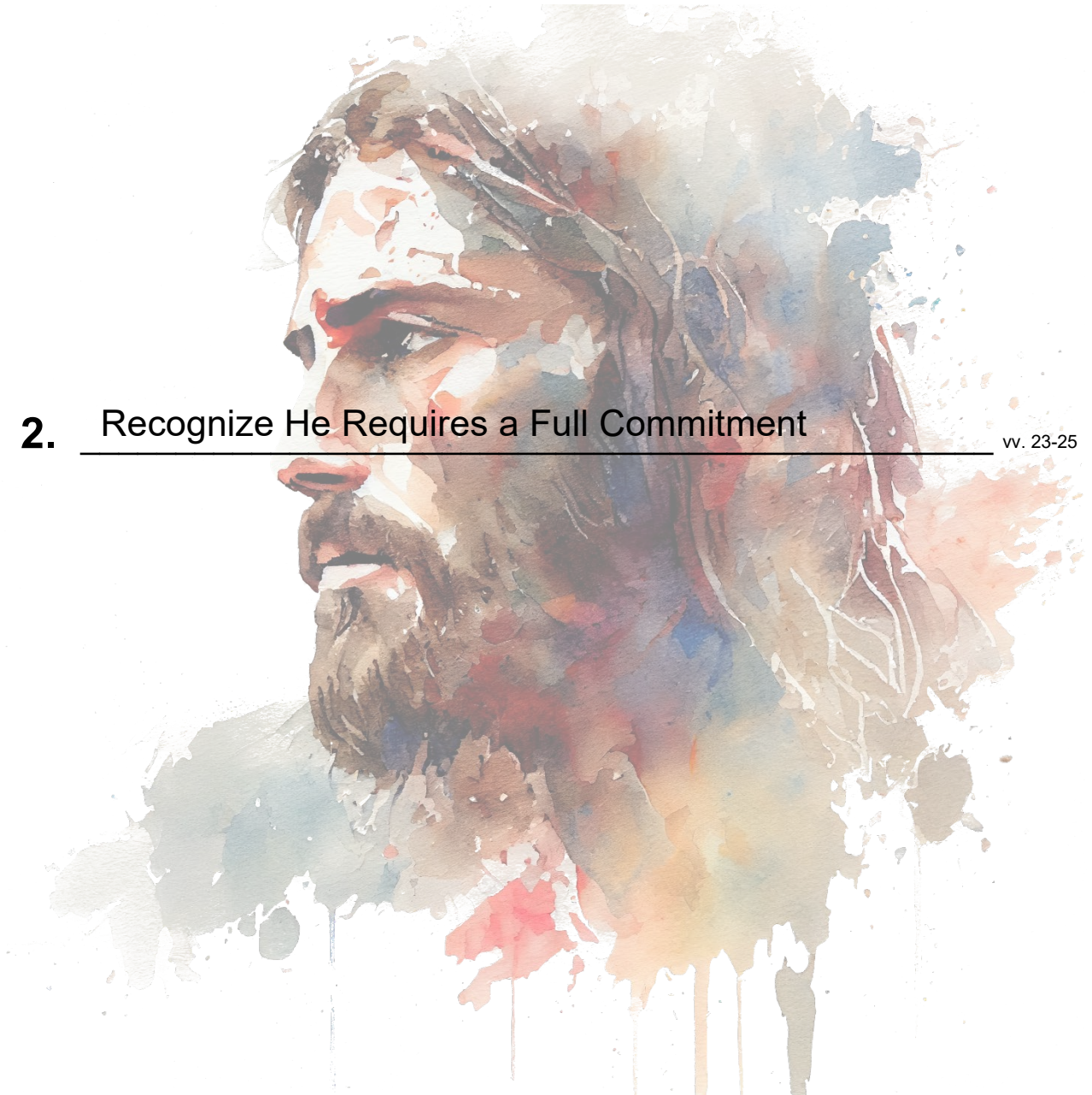


False Impressions?

“ How to Avoid Misjudging Jesus ”

1. Remember He Came as The Savior vv. 18-22
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2. Recognize He Requires a Full Commitment vv. 23-25



Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life.

HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/grow-groups or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

GROW GROUPS ARE CURRENTLY ON EASTER BREAK

Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message. A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons.

MONDAY // Read Luke 9:7, 18-20, 2:10-11, 4:40-41, Malachi 4:5, Matthew 2:4, 16:14

- What were the different initial impressions people had about Jesus? Be specific. What influenced them?
- In what way did the angels and demons get it right? Why is this an important issue to clarify?
- How does the cross help? How do you see lack of clarity happening today? How does this help you?

TUESDAY // Read Luke 9:21-22, 9:44, 18:31, 19:28-40, 22:14-20, Mark 8:31-33, Isaiah 53, 2 Cor. 5:21

- Given that Jesus predicted Good Friday and Easter, what does this imply about His plan and purpose?
- Why was Jesus so secretive with His disciples? (c.f., Luke 9:21) How does Palm Sunday reveal the problem?
- In what way would you respond to people who think Jesus was mistakenly crucified? (i.e., not prophetic)

WEDNESDAY // Read Luke 9:18-22, Mark 10:45, John 3:16-17, 14:6, Romans 8:31-32, 1 Tim. 2:5-6

- What does "Christ" mean? Why is this important? How can a misunderstanding create false impressions?
- How have you seen people misjudge the role of Jesus today? Give an example. What are the consequences?
- In what way does this truth elevate the importance of Good Friday and Easter? How does this clarify you?

THURSDAY // Read Luke 9:23-25, Acts 2:37-38, Romans 10:9-10, James 2:18-19

- What is required in order for someone to become a Christian? Explain how repentance and faith apply.
- What does this highlight about simple belief or blind faith? (c.f., James 2:18-19)
- How have you stepped into repentance and faith? If you haven't, you can pray and do it right now!

FRIDAY // Read Luke 9:23-25, John 12:20-26, 15:5-11, Galatians 5:24, 1 Peter 2:20-21

- What does the cross metaphor highlight in becoming a Christian? How does "denying" yourself relate?
- What misunderstanding did Jesus prevent by making these statements? Be specific.
- Describe what it would look like for you to "take up your cross" on a daily basis? When will you start?

SATURDAY // Read Luke 9:23-25, 12:16-21, 18:18-25, Philippians 3:7-10

- Explain how "losing" your life will actually save it? (Hint: temporal vs. eternal)
- How does the world today try to tempt people into a temporal mindset? Give an example.
- How does today's devotion challenge your current priorities? How can you better protect yourself?

MEDITATION VERSE: ¹⁹*If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.* ²⁰*But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.*

1 Corinthians 15:19-20