



Matthew 16:24-17:8 – “Listening Well” 3/3/2019

How to use Pod Talk:

Talking through the Bible during the week helps us practice what we are learning. Read the Sunday Bible passage, discuss what you notice, share what God is inviting you to apply to your life, and wrap up with prayer. (**SOAP**)

Sermon Main Idea:

We can't help but have misconceptions about the Lord and our lives as His disciples, and the only way to overcome our misconceptions is through Christ's revelations.

Introduction:

1. Describe a time when something did not turn out the way you expected.
2. What are some things that keep us from listening well? What helps us to listen well?

SOAP:

Scripture | read Matthew 16:24-17:8 and relate last week's daily bible readings

Observation | what do we notice? what stands out?

1. Describe the setting or context of our passage. (16:13-23)
2. What does Jesus explain about those who will be His disciples? Why does He say this? (16:24-28)
3. Where does Jesus go next and when does He go? Who does He take with Him? (17:1)
4. What happens on the mountain? (17:2-5)
5. What is the significance of what the three disciples witness?
6. How do the disciples respond? (vs. 4-8)

Application | what can we apply to our life today?

1. What do we learn about Jesus from this passage? Why does He give special attention to three of His disciples?
2. How do we deny ourselves, take up our cross daily and follow Jesus? (16:24)
3. What does Jesus mean that in saving our life we lose it, but in losing our life we save it? (16:25-26)
4. What can we do about the misconceptions we have about the Lord and our life as His disciples?
5. What is the difference between reading or studying God's word, and listening to God's word?
6. How can you learn to listen to the Lord better?
7. How can you respond to this passage in your relationship with God (Up)? In your relationship with those in the church (In)? Or, in your relationship with those outside the church (Out)?

Prayer | ask God to help you live out your application

Last Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday, 2/25 – Psalm 95:1-5

Tuesday, 2/26 – Matthew 12:9-21

Wednesday, 2/27 – Matthew 12:22-32

Thursday, 2/28 – Matthew 12:33-45

Friday, 3/1 – Matthew 12:46-50

Saturday, 3/2 – Matthew 13:1-23

Sunday, 3/3 – Matthew 16:24-17:8