

John 3:17 - For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Mark 1:15 - and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Mark 1:38 - And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out."

Verse 22

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Bring People to Jesus
Beg Jesus for People

Jesus wants hear our sincere and specific requests.

Romans 8:26–28 - ²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷ And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸ And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

Verse 23

Jesus never disappoints when we bring people to Him.

Psalms 34:15–18

¹⁵ *The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry.*

¹⁶ *The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.*

¹⁷ *When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.*

¹⁸ *The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.*

Jesus enters into our world in order to establish significant, eternal contact with us.

Verse 24

Verse 25

Jesus is the exact imprint of God's nature and the perfect representation of His will.

Verse 26

Jesus helps us see where we are and leads us to where He wants us.

Mark 8:17–18 - ¹⁷ And Jesus, aware of this, said to them, “Why are you discussing the fact that you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive or understand? Are your hearts hardened? ¹⁸ Having eyes do you not see, and having ears do you not hear? And do you not remember?

*Mark 8:29 - And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?”
Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.”*

Three kinds of sight:

- **Blind**

1 Corinthians 2:14 - The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.

- **Partial sight**

Hebrews 5:12–13 - ¹² For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, ¹³ for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child.

1 Corinthians 13:12 - For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

- **Complete Sight**

1 John 3:1–3 - ¹ See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Scripture Reading: *Romans 5:1-11*