GOD'S MESSIAH

Luke 9:18-27 Key Verse: 9:20

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "God's Messiah."

- 1. From Luke's perspective, what is significant about this moment in Jesus' ministry (18-20; 9:51)? What was Jesus doing (18a)? What might Jesus have prayed about personally and for his disciples (22; Eph 1:17)?
- 2. Compare and contrast Jesus' questions to his disciples (18b,20a). What do the answers of people and Peter reveal about their different views of Jesus (19,20b)?
- 3. Read verse 20. What does "God's Messiah" mean (Lk 1:32-33; 2:11; 24:44)? What is the significance of a personal confession that Jesus is God's Messiah (Ro 10:9-10)?
- 4. What strict warning did Jesus give to his disciples and why (21)? To whom does "the Son of Man" refer (22; Dan 7:13-14)? What did Jesus tell them about the work of God's Messiah? (Isa 53:4-6,10-11)?
- 5. What must those who want to be Jesus' disciples do (23)? What is the significance of "daily"? What principle and value system help us to follow Jesus (24-25)? What does it mean to you to follow Jesus in this way?
- 6. What warning did Jesus give (26a)? What does it mean to be "ashamed of Jesus and his words" and why might people be so? What is Jesus' glorious hope (26b-27)? How does this encourage us to follow Jesus without shame in the way of the cross?