

Transformed by Faith, Part 10

Transforming Expectations

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Mark 10



Our *scratch* questions vs. Jesus' *line* answers

1. We ask for quick answers; Jesus invites us into a personal relationship. Mark 10:2-12
2. We ask for temporary blessing; Jesus gives us an eternal perspective. Mark 10:13-16
3. We ask for a pass to heaven; Jesus wants to form us to His likeness. Mark 10:17-21
4. We ask for recognition and status; Jesus offers the blessings of humility. Mark 10:35-45

God wants us to ask Him *line* questions.

1. *Line* questions center on our relationship with Him
2. *Line* questions have an eternal focus
3. *Line* questions are concerned with growing in His likeness

Question

Are you *living in the scratch* or *in the line*?

Homework: Complete the questions on the back and bring this lesson plan with you to small group this week.

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Homework Questions

Bring this with you to small group this week.

1. What does it mean to “live in the scratch”? What does it mean to “live in the line”? Give an example of each.

2. List as many different areas of your life you can think of (marriage, job, school, family, personal health, finances, relationships, etc.). Which areas are you “living in the scratch”? Which areas are you “living in the line”?

3. Consider those areas where you are “living in the scratch”. What is holding you back from “living in the line”? Is it fear? Is it pride? What lies is the devil telling you about surrendering those areas to God?

4. Consider these tools you have in fighting the battle of “living in the scratch”: prayer, prayer with a partner, time in the Word, support and accountability partners, journaling, etc. Choose one area in your life you would like to let go and surrender to God. What tools do you want to utilize more effectively this week to help you do that?

