

# Sermon Resources

Sermon: *The Unexpected Jesus*

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## WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

**Big Idea:** Kingdom Expectation Vs Worldly Expectations

*(SERMON IN A SENTENCE)* We live out of Kingdom expectations through the denial of worldly expectations.

### MEMORY VERSE

Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me." - Luke 9:23

## WHAT DO I NEED TO ASK?

(Icebreaker) Do you like spicy foods? Consider having a flaming hot Cheeto eating contest as a group.

Read Luke 9:18-24. Jesus asks his disciples, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" (Luke 9:18). How does the world's perception of Jesus compare to your personal understanding of him today?

When Peter declares, "You are the Christ of God" (Luke 9:20), what does this confession reveal about Peter's faith and its implications for our own?

Jesus teaches that "if anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9:23). How does this call challenge us in our daily lives and priorities?

What does it mean practically to "lose" our life for Jesus' sake and how does this promise of finding true life (Luke 9:24) impact our understanding of sacrifice and discipleship?

Reflecting on the transfiguration that follows this passage (Luke 9:28-36), how does Jesus' identity as revealed in these events strengthen our faith and commitment to following him?