## **08-27-23 FOR THE JOURNEY THIS WEEK**

"This passage calls us to move beyond our particular political and denominational factions, our various theological emphases, and our respective ethnic loyalties by speaking truthfully about the impact of Jesus Christ in our own lives."

- Jin S. Kim

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## Matthew 16:13-20

## Questions for Reflection —

- Who do you say Jesus is? How has your understanding of Jesus' identity and mission changed over the course of your faith journey? How did you come to your present understanding? What images, metaphors, or titles for Jesus are most meaningful and helpful to you in your understanding of who Jesus is?
- What is the impact of Jesus in your life? What does it mean for Jesus to be the Lord of your life? What does it look like for you to live a Christ-like life? How do you witness to Jesus with your life both in word and action? What do you need in order to be able to more boldly proclaim your faith? What does it look like for you to praise Jesus with your whole life?
- ➤ How have you come to *know* Jesus rather just know *about* him? What does it mean for you to truly be in relationship with Jesus? In what ways is your relationship with Jesus a priority relationship in your life? What claims does your relationship with Jesus make on your life? What spiritual practices nourish that relationship and help it to grow deeper?

## **Daily Household Prayer**

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift,

teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are,

that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives.

turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you; through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.