

Lectio Divina

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- **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - **Pray** - Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition
 - **Action** – Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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September 16th 2012 **24th Sunday Ordinary Time – Year B – Mark 8: 27 - 35**

In this week's gospel we see Jesus on his journey around the villages of Caesarea Philippi where he put this question to his disciples "Who do people say I am?". By asking this question he brought out a new profession of faith from them.

Every now and then we need to look at the image of Jesus we carry within us – who is Jesus for us? This gospel gives us a good opportunity to stop and ask ourselves this question and to celebrate our journey with him.

Prayer:

Lord we thank you for the quiet times we have taken to be with you and take stock of our lives – long walks on the beach etc. We came to realise slowly our special vocation – the life of Jesus within us – reaching out to all we meet.

Forgive us for the times we did not understand when people were telling us things for our own good and we began to fight with them but they continued until we came to a better understanding of their message.

Help us to see the good in those people we may have looked down on and to realise that often they are sent as messengers to us all reminding us that we are truly great when we are servants to all.

