

Speaking Honestly about Ourselves

- Nadia Bolz-Weber: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cyn_04DP27w
 - Discussion Questions:
 - Can you remember a moment where someone was honest with you about their jagged edges? How was that?
 - Can you remember a moment where you were honest with someone else about your jagged edges? How was that?
 - Who do you feel comfortable telling about your jagged edges? Who do you not feel comfortable telling about your jagged edges?
 - Where do you feel like you are most yourself? Where do you feel like you can't be yourself?
- Rob Bell: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=koutUz0Im48&t=6s>
 - Discussion Questions:
 - What are some storms you have experienced in your life? Is it raining now?
 - Did you feel God's presence in these storms? If so, where?
 - What have you learned in the storms of life? (about yourself; about the world; about God)
 - Does the idea of God being close despite your troubles (and amidst your troubles!!) help? Why or why not?
- (Optional): Brene Brown: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iCvmsMzIF7o>

Read: **Mark 8:27-38**

- Circle every word and phrase that you are confused about
- Underline every word and phrase that you find interesting
- Star anywhere you see vulnerability and honesty

Discuss

- What stood out to you in this passage?

- What confused you in this passage?

- What did this message make you think of?

- What in this passage made you uncomfortable?

- What does this passage mean by “human things” and “divine things”?

New Words

- Caesarea Philippi
- John the Baptist
- Elijah
- Son of Man

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- Nazareth
- Synagogue
- Sabbath
- Jubilee