"Who Do the People Say I Am?"

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Text: Mark 8: 27-38

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"Who do the people say I am?" Asked Jesus of his own. "Some say Elijah," they replied, "Or prophets yet unknown."

"But what say you," then Jesus asked,
"Who do you say I am?"
"You are the Christ," Peter proclaimed,
"The son of the 'I AM.'"

"The son of man must suffer soon,"
Then Jesus did reply,
"And he who wants to follow me
Himself he must deny.

Whoever wants to save his life
Will lose it in the end,
But those, who for me, lose their life
Will from this life transcend."

What good is it to gain the world Yet forfeit one's own soul? And if we turn our backs on Christ, How can we be made whole?

Alternate Verse 4

Whoever wants to save his life
Will lose it certainly,
But those, who for me, lose their life
Will live eternally."

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So may we, Lord, each day we live, E'er lose our lives for you, That life in heav'n we will receive When life on earth is through.

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