



Part 2:  
The Secret About Superheroes  
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## If Jesus had no hidden agenda, then what was he hiding...

### ... in Mark 7:35-37?

At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly. *Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone.* But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. People were overwhelmed with amazement. "He has done everything well," they said. "He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

### ... in Mark 8:29-30?

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Christ." *Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.*

### ... in Mark 9:9?

As they were coming down the mountain, *Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.*

## Four Kinds of Heroes

### 1. Fictional heroes

The problem with fictional heroes is that we outgrow them.

### 2. Famous heroes

The problem with famous heroes is that we only focus on the great aspects of their life and often excuse their failures.

### 3. Familiar heroes

The problem with familiar heroes is that we tend to try and become who they are instead of who God created us to be.

### 4. Faith heroes

The problem with faith heroes is that we tend to overlook their humanity.

### The Agenda of Jesus

I did not come to be your hero,  
but to be your Savior.

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## **I tell you the truth... Truly, truly... Verily, verily = ...**

You're not going to believe this, but it's true... it's absolutely true.

### **John 5:24-27**

<sup>24</sup> "I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life. <sup>25</sup> I tell you the truth, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live. <sup>26</sup> For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son to have life in himself. <sup>27</sup> And he has given him authority to judge because he is the Son of Man."

### **The Agenda of the Son of Man**

1. To save (vs.24)
2. To speak (vs.25)
3. To live (vs.26)
4. To judge (vs.27)

### **On Your Way Home**

Who was your all-time favorite superhero? What special power did they possess that you wanted for yourself?

#### **Group Life Discussion Questions**



- 1) Who was your favorite superhero? Why? Come on be honest!
- 2) Name a personal hero from one of the four categories listed above. How has that person impacted your life?
- 3) What are the dangers to having a modern day hero? How can you keep this in balance?
- 4) Read John 5:24-27 once more. How is Jesus accomplishing this agenda in our modern world?
- 5) People struggle when they hear that Jesus will judge both believers and unbelievers. Do you find any comfort in knowing that Jesus will judge you? How does that change how you live your life?
- 6) How can we pray for you tonight?