



This 12 week series will journey through the gospel of Mark. Each week we will focus on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Use these guides in your small group or with your spouse or grab a friend and work through the questions together. There will be a Mark Study Group for anyone interested on Sunday nights Oct 14th-December 9th (*excluding Nov 11) from 6:30 pm-7:45 pm in the church basement. We will have the coffee on so come and journey with us as we learn more about the *Adventure of Discipleship!*

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How did your parents complete this sentence when you were a child: “How many times do I have to tell you...”

READ MARK 8:1-10

As we read through Mark, we see that he includes two separate events of Jesus feeding masses of people. Read Mark 6:30-44 and discuss how they’re different and how are they similar.

Why does Mark include both the story of the feeding of the 5000 and the feeding of the 4000 when the stories are so similar?

Do you sometimes doubt Jesus’ ability to meet your needs? How so?

What excuses and obstacles prevent us today from serving the needs around us?

READ MARK 8:11-13

Why wouldn’t Jesus give the Pharisees “a sign from heaven?”

In verse 12 Mark says Jesus “sighed deeply.” What does this reveal to us about Jesus at this point in his ministry?

READ MARK 8:14-21

What is Jesus referring to when he tells the disciples to watch out for the yeast of the Pharisees?

What does hardness of heart mean to you (verse17)? How has Jesus made your heart softer?

What was Jesus wanting the disciples to understand in this section?

Jesus questions the disciples and asks, “Do you have eyes but fail to see, or ears but fail to hear?” The story immediately preceding our passage in 8:1-21 is a story of Jesus healing a deaf man (7:31-37), and then immediately following is a story of Jesus gradually healing a blind man (8:22-26). If time allows take a look at them. In the midst of these two stories we have Jesus repeating a miracle. This is not a coincidence.

What are you seeing more clearly through repetition in your journey with Jesus?