

***STUDIES  
IN  
MARK***



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**Lesson 27**

## MARK 8:10-21

### REVIEW:

In our last lesson, Jesus fed \_\_\_\_\_ people on the east side of the Sea of \_\_\_\_\_ . He showed that He was the BREAD OF LIFE FOR the whole world, not only for the Jews.

### STUDY MARK 8:10-13

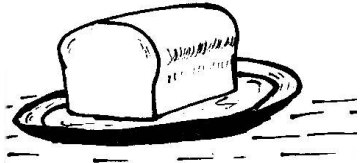
#### JESUS AND THE PHARISEES

1. When Jesus came back across the Sea of Galilee, who was there to meet Him? (Crowds of people, the scribes, the Pharisees) .
2. (They loved Him, they wanted to tempt (test) Him, they believed on Him) .
3. The Pharisees wanted to see (what Jesus would do next, if Jesus loved them, a sign from heaven) .
4. For thousands of years people had been looking for God to send the Messiah, the Christ. 4000 years before, God had promised that from Eve would come the One Who would destroy Satan. As time went on, God promised Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and David that this One would come. The Jews did not understand what this meant. They thought the Messiah would come with signs and great earthly glory to put down their enemies, and rule as king on earth. They did not know that before the Messiah would come like a king -
  - 1) He would first come as a baby in a manger,
  - 2) He would walk in their country as the Son of man and be poor.
  - 3) that He would teach men to let Him rule in their hearts,
  - 4) that He must die for their sin.All this would happen before Christ comes to rule on earth.
5. In verse 12, Jesus sighed. He drew a deep breath, like a man who is sad in his heart. He said, "Why does this \_\_\_\_\_ seek after a \_\_\_\_\_ ?"
6. Did Jesus give them the sign they asked for? (verse 12) .

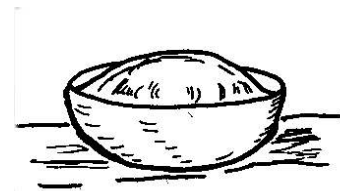
7. In Matthew 4:3, the devil did the same thing as the Pharisees. He told Jesus to give him a sign. He told Jesus to change the \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_ . Did He do it?
8. Jesus knew very well that neither the devil, nor the Pharisees wanted to see Him do a sign so they could believe. It is no wonder Jesus sighed. Had Jesus already done many miracle that showed Who He was? (verse 9)
9. Did Jesus stay with these wicked people who would not believe Him? (verse 13)

### STUDY MARK 8:14-21

#### LEAVEN AND BREAD

1. Jesus and His disciples were out in the boat again. The disciples forgot something. What did they forget? 
2. How much did they have? Would that be enough to make a lunch for 13 people? (Think before you answer.)
3. The disciples must have been talking about how stupid they were to forget to bring a lunch. They might have said to each other, "Here we are away out on the lake, and we have only one loaf of bread for all of us. Why didn't somebody remember? Now what will we do?"
4. Jesus heard what His disciples said but He did not say, "I'll make some more." Read verse 15.

**LEAVEN** - means yeast. When you put yeast in water and flour, the yeast goes all through the dough. It grows and changes the whole thing. Jesus said the sins of the Pharisees and of Herod were like leaven, or yeast. Jesus warned the disciples. He told them, "Beware!"



**BEWARE** - means there is danger. Be warned.

**TAKE HEED** means pay good attention. Listen well.

Jesus told the disciples that sin and the false teaching of the Pharisees could go all through their minds and changed their thinking. All false teaching is like that.

Jesus warned His disciples and warns us that there is a great danger. The danger was in following false teachings. Jesus said, "TAKE HEED." He said, "BEWARE." False teaching is like leaven, or yeast. If we take it in, it will go all through our thinking, and turn us away from the important things of God's teaching.

We are in the last days, and more and more voices will come to us with new ideas. (1 Timothy 4:1)

In Hebrews 1:1,2, God clearly tells us that

"IN TIMES PAST, GOD spoke unto the fathers **by the prophets**"

but He has

"IN THESE LAST DAYS SPOKEN UNTO US BY HIS SON, by whom he hath made the worlds."

In Matthew 17:5, God said,

"THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, in whom I am well pleased. **HEAR YE HIM.**"

In John 14:6, Jesus said,

"I am the WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE. No man cometh unto the Father but by Me."

Jesus says, "Take heed!" "Beware!" "Be warned!"

The disciples did not understand. They still thought about that one little loaf of bread they brought. They thought Jesus warned them not to forget their bread. So Jesus asked them ten questions.

Read verse 17,18,19,20,21. Find in these verses the 10 questions Jesus asked His disciples, and write them down:

- 1) ?
- 2) ?
- 3) ?
- 4) ?
- 5) ?

- 6) ?
- 7) ?
- 8) ?
- 9) ?
- 10) ?

The disciples seemed to have forgotten about Jesus' power to make much out of little. Why should they sit there in the boat and worry about feeding 13 people with one loaf, when the same Jesus who fed 5000 with 5 loaves, and 4000 people with seven loaves, was right there in the boat with them? No wonder He asked them all those questions in verses 17-21.

But are we any better? Do we sometimes forget too?

Take a piece of paper and a pencil. Write down all the good things Jesus has done for you. The next time you feel like worrying when something goes wrong, take your paper out and read it over. You will start praising God instead of worrying. You will remember that you can trust instead of worrying.



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