

JESUS' RETURN TO THE OTHER SIDE

Mark 5: 21—43

After completely transforming the life of the demon-possessed man of Gadara, Jesus returned to the other side of the sea. Notice now what happened on His return:

A. Events Upon Jesus' Arrival: Read Mark 5:21-23

1. Who greeted Jesus as He returned to the other side? Mark 5:21

2. What special person also came to see Jesus? Mark 5:22a

3. What did he do as he came? Mark 5:22b, 23a

4. What did he ask Jesus to do? Mark 5:23b

5. What did he believe would happen if Jesus did this? Mark 5:23c

B. The Journey to Jairus' House: Read Mark 5:24-36

1. As Jesus went toward Jairus' house, who followed Him? Mark 5:24

2. Who was among those who followed? Mark 5:25, 26

3. What did she do? Mark 5:27

4. What did she believe would happen as a result? Mark 5:28

5. What actually did happen as a result of her action? Mark 5:29

6. What did Jesus know as she touched Him? Mark 5:30a

7. What did He ask? Mark 5:30b

8. Did the disciples understand why He asked this? Mark 5:31

9. How did the woman feel after this? Mark 5:35a

10. What two things did she do? Mark 5:33b

11. What did Jesus say had made the woman well? Mark 5:34

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12. What disturbing message was brought to Jairus as Jesus thus lingered on the way to his house? Mark 5:35

13. What encouraging message did Jesus give to Jairus? Mark 5:36

C. At Jairus' House: Read Mark 5:37-43

1. When Jesus arrived at Jairus' house, what did He find the people doing? Mark 5:38__

2. What did Jesus tell them about the girl? Mark 5:39

3. What was their reaction to this statement? Mark 5:40a

4. What did Jesus therefore do with them? Mark 5:40b

5. Who were permitted to enter the girl's room? Mark 5:40c

6. What two things did Jesus do to the girl? Mark 5:41

7. What happened as a result? Mark 5:42a

8. How did those who saw this miracle feel afterwards? Mark 5:42b

9. What two commands did Jesus give after this? Mark 5:43

a. _____

b. _____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. What attitude did both Jairus and the sick woman have as they came to Jesus?

2. What is my part in seeing miracles accomplished today—in my own life, and in the lives of others? (See Hebrews 11:6b)

JESUS' VISIT TO NAZARETH

Mark 6: 1—6

After ministering for some time in Capernaum, Jesus decided to pay a visit to His home-town of Nazareth. See now what happened after He arrived there:

A. Jesus' Activities in Nazareth: Read Mark 6:1, 2a

1. Who accompanied Jesus on this trip? Mark 6:1b

2. What did He do when the Sabbath day arrived? Mark 6:2b

B. Reactions to Jesus' Ministry in Nazareth: Read Mark 6:2b, 3

1. What was the first reaction of people to Jesus' ministry? Mark 6:2b

2. What was the great question which filled their minds? Mark 6:2c

3. What did they notice that Jesus was able to do? Mark 6:2e

4. What did they acknowledge that this required, and therefore that Jesus had? Mark 6:2d

5. What were they accustomed to thinking of Jesus as being? Mark 6:3a

6. Notice that Jesus is called in Mark 6:3a the son of Mary. Why do you think He was not referred to as the son of Joseph? (**THINK!**)

7. Give the names of Jesus' four brothers: Mark 6:3b

Notice that Jesus also had sisters, but we are not told how many: Mark 6:3c

8. The people of Nazareth thought that they knew all about Jesus, and yet what they knew could not explain His authoritative teaching and His mighty works. Therefore, what was their final reaction to Him? Mark 6:3d

9. Notice what Jesus said this was a sign of: Mark 6:6a

C. Jesus' Evaluation of the People's reaction: Read Mark 6:4

1. How should a prophet usually be treated by his people? Mark 6:4a

2. Yet in what three places did Jesus say this would probably not be true?

a. Mark 6:4b _____

b. Mark 6:4c _____

c. Mark 6:4d _____

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D. The Results of the People's Reaction: Read Mark 6:5, 6

1. Did the people's reaction to Jesus in any way affect His ministry among them? How?
Mark 6:5a

2. What was the extent of His work among them? Mark 6:5b

3. What was Jesus' own reaction to their attitude toward Him? Mark 6:6a

4. Therefore, what did He do after this? Mark 6:6b

5. What did He do each place He went? Mark 6:6c

QUESTION FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. What is my reaction to the wonders of Jesus' teaching and working which I have observed, both in the Bible, and in everyday life?

2. Is Jesus' ability to work miracles for me limited by my unbelief concerning Him? (See Hebrews 11:6)

THE FATE OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Mark 6: 17—29

We have noticed previously all that John the Baptist did to prepare the way for the coming of Jesus, and how he was put into prison after he had baptized Jesus. See now why this happened, and what happened to him in later days:

A. John's Message to King Herod: Read Mark 6:17-20

1. Whom had King Herod married? Mark 6:17b

2. What had John told Herod concerning this? Mark 6:18

3. Therefore, how did Herodias feel concerning John? Mark 6:19a

4. What would she like to have done to him? Mark 6:19b

5. Why could she not do this? Mark 6:19c, 20a

6. What did Herod know concerning John? Mark 6:20b

7. What was Herod's reaction to John's messages? Mark 6:20c

8. Yet what did he do to John for his wife's sake? Mark 6:17a

B. Herod's Birthday Celebration: Read Mark 6:21-25

1. Whom did Herod invite to his birthday celebration? Mark 6:21

2. What did the daughter of Herodias do at this time? Mark 6:22a

3. How did Herod feel about her performance? Mark 6:22b

4. What did he promise her as a result? Mark 6:23a

5. What limit did he set on her requests? Mark 6:23b

6. Of whom did she ask counsel before making her request? Mark 6:24a

7. For what did her mother advise her to ask? Mark 6:24b

8. Did she follow her mother's advice? Mark 6:25

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The Results of This Celebration to John: Read Mark 6:26-29

1. How did the king feel when he heard his step-daughter's request?
Mark 6:26a _____
2. Yet what did he decide to do concerning her request? Mark 6:26c

3. What two things made him decide to do this? Mark 6:26b

4. What command did he give immediately? Mark 6:27

5. Was this command obeyed? Mark 6:27b, 28a

6. What did his step-daughter do with John's head after she received it?
Mark 6:28b

7. What did John's disciples do when they heard what had happened?
Mark 6:29

QUESTION'S FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:T

1. Was it right for Herod to give such a command against John? Did this in any way lessen the wrong involved in his marrying his brother's wife?

2. Do I ever try to cover up one wrong with another? What should I do instead? (See Proverbs 28:13)

THE TWELVE WENT FORTH

Mark 6: 7—16, 30

After Jesus' second preaching tour, which took place after His visit to Nazareth, He sent the twelve apostles out on a tour. Read to see how He sent them, and what happened as a result of their ministry:

A. Jesus' Instructions to the Twelve: Read Mark 6:7-11

1. How many of the twelve were to make up each team? Mark 6:7a

2. Over what did Jesus give them power? Mark 6:7b

3. What was each allowed to take on his journey? Mark 6:8a

4. What three things were they not to take? Mark 6:8b (A scrip was a small bag or wallet for carrying small articles. (See 1 Samuel 17:40)

5. What were they to wear on their feet? Mark 6:9a

6. Of what article of clothing were they not to take two? Mark 6:9b

7. How long were they to stay in one house in a city? Mark 6:10

8. What were they to do in case anyone should not receive them or hear them? Mark 6:11a

9. What cities would fare better in the day of judgment than such a city?
Mark 6:11b _____
10. Read Genesis 19 for the story of what took place in these cities, and what God did to them as a result

B. The Twelve Sent Forth: Read Mark 6:12, 13

1. As the twelve went out, what was one of their main activities? Mark 6:12a

2. What was the subject of their messages? Mark 6:12b

3. What were two other frequent activities? Mark 6:13
 - a. _____
 - b. _____

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C. Various Evaluations of Jesus: Read Mark 6:14-16

1. What happened as a result of the preaching tours and other activities of Jesus and His disciples? Mark 6:14b

2. Who was among those who heard of Jesus? Mark 6:14a

3. Who did he decide that Jesus must be? Mark 6:14c

4. What would have had to happen to John in order for this person to be he? Mark 6:14d

5. Notice that this was Herod's explanation for the mighty works done by Jesus: Mark 6:14e

6. What were three other guesses as to who Jesus might be? Mark 6:15

7. Yet what did Herod still insist, in spite of these other guesses? Mark 6:16

D. The Disciples' Report Concerning Their Trip: Read Mark 6:30

1. When the apostles' trip was ended, what did they do? Mark 6:30a

2. Concerning what two things did they then tell Jesus? Mark 6:30b

QUESTION FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Did the disciples' lack of provisions for their tour seem to limit their effectiveness in any way? Mark 6:12,13

2. In whom do I trust—on whom do I depend—for the things which are necessary in my service for the Lord? (See Philippians 4:19)

A PROPOSED VACATION TRIP

Mark 6: 30—44

After the disciples had completed their preaching trips, they reported again to Jesus. See now what Jesus suggested, and what was the outcome of His suggestion:

A. Jesus' Suggestion: Read Mark 6:31

1. Where did Jesus suggest that He and the disciples should go? Mark 6:31a

2. For what purpose were they to make this trip? Mark 6:31b

3. What two facts caused Jesus to make such a suggestion? Mark 6:31c

a. _____

b. _____

B. Events of the Day: Read Mark 6:32-34

1. How did they travel on their journey? Mark 6:32

2. In spite of their efforts to depart privately, what happened? Mark 6:33a, b

3. What did the people do when they saw Jesus leaving? Mark 6:33c-e

Note: The Sea of Galilee is only about 12 ½ miles long and 7 ½ miles wide.

4. Therefore, what did Jesus see when He came out of the boat? Mark 6:34a

5. How did He feel toward them? Mark 6:34b

Note: Compassion means sorrow or pity excited by the distress or misfortunes of another; sympathy.

6. Why? Mark 6:34c

7. What did He therefore do for them? Mark 6:34d

C. The Disciples' Suggestion: Read Mark 6: 35, 36

1. How long did Jesus continue to teach the people? Mark 6:35a

2. Why did the disciples become concerned about all the people? Mark 6:36e

3. Could they get anything to eat where they were? Mark 6:35b

4. How did they suggest that the people's need be met? Mark 6:36a-d

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D. Jesus' Counter-Suggestion: Read Mark 6:37-41

1. What did Jesus then suggest as a solution to the people's needs?

Mark 6:37a, b

2. What did the disciples think it would cost at the very least to do this?

Mark 6:37c-e

3. What question did Jesus then ask them? Mark 6:38a-c
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4. What was the answer? Mark 6:38d-f
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5. What did Jesus then ask them to do? Mark 6:39
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6. How many were in each group? Mark 6:40
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7. What did Jesus do after He had received the loaves and fishes? Mark 6:41

a. to both

b. to the loaves

c. to the fishes

E. The Results of Jesus' Suggestion: Read Mark 6:42-44

1. What two things did those who received the food do? Mark 6:42
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2. How much food was left over? Mark 6:43
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3. How many partook of this meal? Mark 6:44
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QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Do people ever come to me for help when I am most tired and weary? What do I do?
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2. Does the little I have seem sufficient for them? Yet could God multiply it so that it would meet the needs of all that He sends to me? (See Jeremiah 32:27)
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THE RETURN TRIP

Mark 6: 45—56

After Jesus' great miracle of feeding the multitudes with only a little food, He and His disciples decided to return to the other side of the sea. See now what happened as they went, and what effect this had on the disciples:

A. Events at the Beginning of the Journey: Read Mark 6:45-48a

1. What did Jesus instruct His disciples to do? Mark 6:45a

2. What did He Himself do? Mark 6:45b

3. What did He later do? Mark 6:46

4. How far did the disciples get by evening (probably sunset)? Mark 6:47a

5. What kind of trip were they having? Why? Mark 6:48b, c

6. Did Jesus know what they were going through? Mark 6:47b, 48a

B. Events in the Midst of the Journey: Read Mark 6:48b-52

1. How long did Jesus wait before He came to them? Mark 6:48b

2. How did He travel across the sea? Mark 6:48c

3. What would He have done? Mark 6:48d

4. What did the disciples think when they saw Him? Mark 6:49a

5. What did they do? Mark 6:49b

6. How did they feel? Mark 6:50a

7. What did Jesus then do? Mark 6:50b

8. What did He say to them? Mark 6:50c

9. What happened when He went up into their ship? Mark 6:51a

10. How did the disciples feel after this? Mark 6:51b

11. Notice Mark's descriptive details here: What one word might he have used

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to describe this feeling?_____ Yet what four other words or phrases did he use to make this description more vivid?

12. What had they failed to consider? Mark 6:52a

13. Why? Mark 6:52b

C. Events at the End of the Journey: Read Mark 6:53-56

1. At what place did they arrive at the end of their trip? Mark 6:53 (Locate this place on a map.)_____

2. What happened as soon as they came ashore? Mark 6:54

3. What did the people therefore do? Mark 6:55

4. In how many places did this happen? Mark 6:56a

5. What did they beg to be allowed to do? Mark 6:56b

6. What happened to all those who did this? Mark 6:56c

QUESTION FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. What caused the great difference in the attitude of the disciples toward Jesus at this time, and the attitude of those who met Him as He landed? Mark 6:52

2. If Jesus could feed so many with so little food, would there be anything He could not do? Then should I be surprised at *anything* He does?

Note: The fourth watch began about 5:00 a.m. (The others about 9:30 p. m., midnight, and 2:30 a.m.)

QUESTION CONCERNING DEFILEMENT

Mark 7: 1—23

With the miracle of feeding the 5,000, Jesus' popularity with the people reached its peak, so much so that John's gospel states that they wanted to take Him by force and make Him a king. Yet notice the attitude of the scribes and Pharisees toward Him:

A. The Pharisees' Question to Jesus: Read Mark 7:1-5

1. Who came to question Jesus? Mark 7:1a

2. From what city had they come? Mark 7:1b

3. What did they see some of Jesus' disciples doing? Mark 7:2a

4. Therefore, what did they do? Mark 7:2b

5. List some of the rules which the Pharisees sought to keep: Mark 7:3, 4
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
6. From whom had they received these rules? Mark 7:3b, 5b

7. What question did they then ask Jesus? Mark 7:5b, c

B. Jesus' Answer to the Pharisees: Read Mark 7:6-13

1. What did Jesus call the Pharisees as He began His answer to them?
Mark 7:6b _____
2. Why did He call them this? Mark 7:6c, d

3. What did He say they taught for doctrines? Mark 7:7b

4. Therefore, what did Jesus say about their worship? Mark 7:7a

5. What three things did they do with the commandments of God in order to keep their own rules or traditions?
 - a. Mark 7:8a _____
 - b. Mark 7:9a _____
 - c. Mark 7:13a _____
6. Notice one example of this in verses 10-12: What had the Word of God definitely stated? Mark 7:10a

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7. Yet the Pharisees taught that if a man gave that which might have helped his father and mother as a gift to God, he was free from this responsibility, and they would not let him do anything for his father or mother: Mark 7:11, 12.

8. Was this the only way they went against the law of God? Mark 7:8b, 13b

C. Jesus' Teaching Concerning Defilement: Read Mark 7:14-23

1. Whom did Jesus then call unto Himself? Mark 7:14a

2. What did He tell them as He began? Mark 7:14b

3. Then what did He teach them about things that go into a person from without? Mark 7:15a

4. What are the things which truly defile (make filthy or unclean) a man? Mark 7:15b

5. From what place do these things come? Mark 7:21a, 23a

6. List some of the specific things Jesus mentioned which would defile a man. Mark 7:21, 22

7. Do you think the Pharisees were guilty of any of these?

QUESTION FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Which matters more to God: Outward behavior, or inward thoughts and attitudes? (See 1 Samuel 16:7)

2. If my inward thoughts and attitudes are not what they should be, what will they eventually lead me to do? Mark 7:21-23

JESUS' VISIT TO TYRE AND SIDON

Mark 7: 24—30

After Jesus' renewed clash with the scribes and Pharisees over questions concerning defilement, He took His only recorded trip outside the boundaries of the Jewish territory of Palestine. Read now to see where He went, and what He did there:

A. The Trip Begun: Read Mark 7:24

1. To the area of what two cities did Jesus travel? Mark 7:24a (Locate these cities on a map.) _____
2. Where did Jesus go when He arrived there? Mark 7:24b

3. What did He wish might happen? Mark 7:24c

4. But what did happen? Mark 7:24d

B. One Woman's Request: Read Mark 7:25, 26

1. What did one woman do when she heard of Jesus? Mark 7:25c, d

2. What problem did she have? Mark 7:25a, b

3. Was this woman a Jew? Mark 7:26a _____
4. What was her nationality? Mark 7:26b _____
5. What did she ask Jesus to do? Mark 7:26c

C. Jesus' First Answer: Read Mark 7:27

1. Who did Jesus say should first be filled? Mark 7:27a, b

2. To what people do you think He was referring? _____
3. What did He say it was not meet (suitable) to do with the children's bread? Mark 7:27c, d _____
4. To what people do you think the term "dog" was referring?

D. The Woman's Response: Read Mark 7:28

1. Did the woman agree with the truth of Jesus' statement? Mark 7:28a

2. Yet what did she say the dogs often did? Mark 7:28b

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3. Notice that this answer showed two things about the woman:

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4. Was she willing to be called a Gentile “dog”? _____
5. How much of Jesus’ power did she believe was necessary to heal her daughter? _____
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E. Jesus’ Second Answer: Read Mark 7:29

1. Was Jesus pleased with the woman’s answer? Mark 7:29a, b
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2. What did He tell her had happened because of this? Mark 7:29c
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F. The Results of the Woman’s Faith and Persistence: Read Mark 7:30

1. Was the woman content with Jesus’ answer? How do you know? Mark 7:30a _____
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2. What two things did she find when she returned to her house? Mark 7:30b, c
- a. _____
- b. _____

QUESTION FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. What caused this woman to be so persistent with her request, and to be willing even to be called a dog in order to get her request granted?
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2. Am I so concerned about the needs of others, and so convinced that just a little of God’s power could meet their needs? Do I keep on asking God to help them, regardless of how hopeless the situation might seem? (See Luke 18:1b)
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JESUS' RETURN FROM TYRE AND SIDON

Mark 7: 31—37

After Jesus' return from Tyre and Sidon, people continued to press upon Him for help. Study now to see who came to Him next, what their request was, and what happened as a result of their request:

A. The Return Trip: Read Mark 7:31

1. To what place did Jesus return? Mark 7:31a

2. Through what territory did He travel to get there? Mark 7:31b (Locate these places on a map.)

B. One Request of Jesus: Read Mark 7:32

1. What two things were wrong with one person who was brought to Jesus?
 - a. Mark 7:32a _____
 - b. Mark 7:32b _____
2. What did they ask Jesus to do? Mark 7:32c

C. Jesus' Response: Read Mark 7:33, 34

1. What did Jesus do before He helped this man? Mark 7:33a

2. What two things did He then do to the man? Mark 7:33b
 - a. to his ears: _____
 - b. to his tongue: _____
3. What else did He then do? Mark 7:34a

4. What did He then say to the man? Mark 7:34b

D. The Results: Read Mark 7:35

1. What two things happened to the man as a result of Jesus' actions?
Mark 7:35a
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
2. What was he able to do after this? Mark 7:35b

E. Jesus' Command: Read Mark 7:36

1. What did Jesus tell them to do concerning this incident? Mark 7:36a

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2. What did they do instead? Mark 7:36c

3. Notice the descriptive details in Mark's account of this. What two phrases does he use to show how much they did this? Mark 7:36b

a. _____

b. _____

F. The Results of This Miracle: Read Mark 7:37a

1. How did they feel about what Jesus had done? Mark 7:37a

2. What did they say of Jesus' deeds? Mark 7:37b

3. What two things did they now know that Jesus could do? Mark 7:37c

a. _____

b. _____

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Was it harder for Jesus to heal two things that were wrong with a person than it was for Him to heal just one thing?

2. How many things are wrong with *me*? Would it be very hard for Jesus to cure them all?

JESUS' MINISTRY TO THE MULTITUDES

Mark 8: 1—9

As Jesus came again into the territory of Galilee, the multitudes again began to gather around Him. Read now to see what happened on one such occasion, and what Jesus did in the face of this event:

A. The Problem: Read Mark 8:1-3

1. How many people were gathered unto Jesus at this time? Mark 8:1a

2. What was the great problem concerning this? Mark 8:1b

3. How long did this continue? Mark 8:2b, c

4. How did Jesus feel toward the people? Mark 8:2a

5. What did He fear might happen if He sent them away without any food?
Mark 8:3a, b

6. Why was this especially likely to happen? Mark 8:3c

Note: Divers here means several.

B. The Disciples' Evaluation of the Problem: Read Mark 8:4

1. In what type of place were these people gathered? Mark 8:4b

2. Therefore, what did the disciples ask? Mark 8:4

3. What does their question reveal that they thought the answer to be? (**THINK!**)

C. Jesus' Action Concerning the Problem: Read Mark 8:5-7

1. What did Jesus ask the disciples? Mark 8:5a, b

2. What was their answer? Mark 8:5c, d

3. What did Jesus then tell the people to do? Mark 8:6a

4. What did He then do with the loaves? Mark 8:6c, d, e

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

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5. What else did the disciples have? Mark 8:7a

6. What did Jesus do with them? Mark 8:7b, c

a. _____

b. _____

D. The Results of Jesus' Action: Read Mark 8:8, 9

1. What two things did the people do after this? Mark 8:8a, b

2. How much food was left over? Mark 8:8c

3. How many had eaten of this meal? Mark 8:9a

4. What did Jesus then do with the multitudes? Mark 8:9b

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Did it make any difference to Jesus how much food was available? (See Jeremiah 32:27, 17) What did the disciples have to do with the little they had before Jesus could use it to meet the needs of the hungry multitude?

2. Have I turned over to Jesus the little that I have, so that He can use it to meet the needs of the spiritually hungry all around me?

ANOTHER ENCOUNTER WITH THE PHARISEES AND ITS RESULTS

Mark 8: 10—21

Having performed a second miracle of multiplying food for the multitudes, Jesus had given even more reason for everyone to believe that He could do anything. Yet see what was the reaction of some to His ministry in the following passage:

A. The Pharisees' Request: Read Mark 8:10, 11

1. Where did this encounter take place? Mark 8:10 (Locate this place on a map.) _____

2. Who brought about this encounter? Mark 8:11a

3. What did they begin to do? Mark 8:11b

4. What did they ask Jesus to show them? Mark 8:11c

5. For what reason did they ask this? Mark 8:11d

B. Jesus' Answer: Read Mark 8:12

1. What did Jesus do when He heard their request? Mark 8:12a

2. What question did He ask of them? Mark 8:12b

3. What was His answer to them? Mark 8:12c

4. What did Jesus do after He had given this answer? Mark 8:13

C. Jesus' Teaching Concerning the Pharisees and Herodians: Read Mark 8:15

1. To what did Jesus compare the teaching of the Pharisees and Herodians? Mark 8:15b

2. What did Jesus tell them concerning such teaching? Mark 8:15a

D. The Disciples' Reaction: Read Mark 8:14, 16

1. Why did the disciples think Jesus was talking to them about leaven?
Mark 8:16

2. What caused them to think this? Mark 8:14

E. Jesus' Further Instruction: Read Mark 8:17-21

1. When Jesus knew their reasonings, what six questions did He ask?

Mark 8:17, 18

- a. _____
b. _____
c. _____
d. _____
e. _____
f. _____

2. Of what two miracles did He then remind them? Mark 8:19, 20

3. What did He make them remember concerning the facts after each of these miracles?

Mark 8:19, 20

4. Therefore, could not Jesus meet their present need as well? (**THINK!**)

5. What do you think Jesus really meant concerning His warning to beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Herodians? (See Matthew 16:12b;

Luke 12:1-3)

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. In view of all that the disciples had seen Jesus do, what should have been their reaction to their present need?

2. Am I always as quick as I should be to learn that God who has worked such miracles for me in the past is able to meet *my* present needs also? (See

Luke 24:25)

JESUS' VISIT TO BETHSAIDA

Mark 8: 22—26

After the Journey during which the disciples discussed the leaven of the Pharisees, they came ashore on the other side. Read now to see where they landed, and what happened after they arrived there:

A. The Request Made of Jesus: Read Mark 8:22

1. At what city did the disciples and Jesus land? Mark 8:22a (Locate this city on a map)

2. What person was brought to Him there? Mark 8:22b

3. What did they ask Jesus to do to him? Mark 8:22c

B. Jesus' First Actions: Read Mark 8:23

1. What did Jesus do as soon as He received this request? Mark 8:23a

a. _____

b. _____

2. What two things did Jesus do to heal him? Mark 8:23b

a. _____

b. _____

3. What did Jesus then ask him? Mark 8:23c

C. The First Results: Read Mark 8:24

1. What did the man do? Mark 8:24a

2. What did he say? Mark 8:24b

D. Jesus' Second Actions: Read Mark 8:25a, b

1. What did Jesus again do for the man? Mark 8:25a

2. Then what did he make the man do? Mark 8:25b

E. The Final Results: Read Mark 8:25c, d

1. After Jesus' second actions in behalf of the man, what happened?

Mark 8:25c

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2. After this, what was he able to do? Mark 8:25d
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F. Jesus' Command to the Man: Read Mark 8:26

1. Where did Jesus tell the man to go? Mark 8:26a
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2. Where did He tell him not to go? Mark 8:26b
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3. What else did Jesus tell him not to do? Mark 8:26c
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QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Had Jesus ever just partly healed a person before? Why do you suppose He did so at this time? But did Jesus leave him just partly healed?
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2. Is there any limit to the number of ways in which God can work in my behalf? Should I always expect Him to work in the same way? Isaiah 55:8, 9
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“God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform:
He plants His footsteps in the sea, and rides upon the storm.
Deep in unfathomable mines of never-failing skill,
He treasures up His bright designs, and works His sovereign will.
Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take; The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break in blessings on your head.
Judge not the Lord by feeble sense, but trust Him for His grace;
Behind a frowning providence He hides a smiling face.
His purposes will ripen fast, unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste, But sweet will be the flower.
Blind unbelief is sure to err, and scan His ways in vain:
God is His own interpreter, and He will reign for aye.”

William Cowper (1772)