

Mark 8:1-38

- A. The Feeding of the Four Thousand (vv.1-10).
 - 1. Desire to Hear Jesus; did not eat for three days.
 - 2. Blessing—Giving God Thanks for what we have.
 - 3. Compassion.

- B. Seeking a Sign (vv. 11-12).
 - 1. “Sign from Heaven”—Pharisees are asking for apocalyptic sign which signals the onset of aid and comfort for God’s elect and the wrath God was going to let loose on his enemies and those who threaten his people.
 - 2. “This generation”—much like the generation during the Exodus Event (c.f. Deut. 32:5).

- C. The Disciples’ Incomprehension (8:13-21).
 - 1. Warning about Pharisees and Herod.
 - 2. Jesus as the Bread of Life.
 - 3. Connecting the dots.

- D. Healing a Blind Man (8:22-26).
 - 1. Spiritual and Physical Healing Process.
 - 2. Discipleship Process—patience, patience, patience.

- E. Jesus as the Messiah (8:27-33).
 - 1. Who do people say that I am?

- F. The Demands of Discipleship (8:34-38).
 - 1. Deny—self.
 - 2. Take up a cross—deny even to the point of giving their lives.
 - 3. Follow—the way God has chosen.