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Seeing & Hearing the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Small Group Questions — The Week of March 14, 2021

Sermon Overview: Do you truly understand Jesus Christ? The disciples walked with Jesus for three years. They heard every word that Jesus preached. They saw Jesus walk on water, heal the sick, cast out demons, make the deaf speak, cause the blind to see, feed 5,000 people with only 5 loaves of bread, and then feed 4,000 people with just 7 loaves of bread. And yet, after all they had witnessed Jesus say and do, they still did not understand Him. Join us this Sunday as we continue our sermon series through the Gospel of Mark and find out why the Good News of Jesus Christ is more astonishing than we understand!

Scripture Reading: Mark 8:1-21

1. What are some ways that you misunderstand Jesus? Are there ways you have settled for an understanding of Jesus that is lesser than who He really is?
2. After everything the disciples had witnessed Jesus say and do, why do you think they still did not understand Him?
3. What is grace? What makes grace difficult for us to receive?
4. What does it mean to trust in your own goodness? How does trusting in our own goodness prevent us from receiving the grace of Jesus?
5. What does it mean to be truly free? Where is true freedom found? Why?
6. How is the feeding of the 4,000 similar to the feeding of the 5,000? How is it different? What does this tell us about the Gospel of Jesus Christ?
7. What did Jesus mean when He said, "I am the bread of life?" How can we receive this bread?