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M A R K   8 : 1 - 3 8

**Warm up question:**

- What's the kindest thing anyone had ever done for you?

**Read Mark 8:1-13**

1. What does Jesus do for the people in this passage? What is he showing them?
2. Read Mark 6:30-44. How do these miracles differ and how are they the same?
3. What prompts Jesus' response in verses 12-13? How do you think Jesus feels about people's response to him?
4. Why do we often take so long to learn important lessons about God?

**Read Mark 8:14-30**

5. What prompts Jesus' question in verse 21? What are the disciples concerned about and what is Jesus concerned about?
6. What do the disciples teach us about faith and doubt?
7. How does Jesus heal the blind man in verses 22-26?
8. Why does Jesus not want the healed man to go into the village?

**Read Mark 8:31-38**

9. What does Jesus reveal to his disciples in verses 31-32? How does Peter react?
10. How would you react to Jesus if he told you he was going to die?
11. What do Jesus' words in verse 34-38 show us about being a disciple?
12. Do you ever find yourself pressured by the world around you to reject or ignore Jesus' teachings? How could this passage help you in these moments?

**Rubber hits the road:**

- What does Mark 8 teach us about being a disciple of Jesus?
- How could you apply this to your life in the week ahead?

**PRAYER**

*Generous Lord Jesus, thank you that you are our provider and sustainer. Thank you that you died for us and rose again on the third day to gift us with forgiveness, wholeness, and eternal life with you. In times of doubt or worry help us to remember your saving acts in the past and your goodness so far in our lives. May our questions lead to answers, and our fears lead to faith. Amen!*

