

Mark: Following Jesus Immediately- Misunderstanding Jesus

Introduction: The disciples saw Jesus do so many amazing things first hand, and yet they were prone to misunderstanding who Jesus was and what it meant for them. If we saw clearly who Jesus is, would it change how we approach all of our lives?

Discussion Questions

- 1. Can you think of a time where you thought you had something figured out, only to realize later you totally had it wrong?
- 2. Read **Mark 6:30-32** Why were the disciples gathering around Jesus at this time? What kinds of things are they telling Jesus about? What do you make of Jesus' instruction of coming with him to get some rest while the next verses reveal that the ministry kept going?
- 3. Read Mark 6:35-44 Why do you think Jesus told them to give the people something to eat? Do you think the crowd realized where all this food came from? If Jesus is multiplying the food, why have 12 basketfuls left over?
- 4. Read **Mark 6:45-52** What do you think about the idea that Jesus sent the disciples immediately into a storm after this miracle? Why do you think that Mark leaves out the part about Peter walking on water?
- 5. Verse 52 says they were amazed because they had not understood about the loaves. What did they not understand about the loaves? Why is the reference to the loaves after all the other miracles they had already witnessed?
- 6. How should a better understanding of who Jesus is affect the way you live your life & faith?

Shaping Your Mind – They were completely amazed, for they had not understood about the loaves; their hearts were hardened. Mark 6:52

Moving Forward – Recognize Jesus' desire to be more than simply a miracle worker but the sustainer of your life.