

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: June 24, 2018
Mark 8:1-13

1. What happened during those days, according to 8:1?
 - a. Another large crowd gathered.
 - b. They had nothing to eat.
 - c. Jesus called his disciples together.

2. What did Jesus say to his disciples, according to 8:2-3?
 - a. I have compassion for these people.
 - b. These people have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat.
 - c. If I send these people home, they will collapse on the way, because some of them have come a long distance.

3. How is this situation different from the one in 6:30-44?
 - a. It sounds about the same to me.
 - b. Well, there were 4000 people instead of 5000 men.
 - c. Jesus had compassion and called the disciples together. In the other story, the disciples were the ones who were worried.
 - d. Well, apparently, the disciples learned a little from last time because, in the last story, they went to Jesus while the people could still get to a town to eat. In this story, the disciples did not go to him and by the time Jesus called them together, some of the people might not have made it home.

4. Do you learn from previous instances of God's faithfulness? Yes____ No____ Explain.

5. What did he do next, according to 8:9-10? _____

6. What did the Pharisees do in 8:11?
 - a. They came and began to question Jesus.
 - b. They tested him.
 - c. They asked him for a sign from heaven.

7. How did Jesus respond, according to 8:12?
 - a. He signed deeply.
 - b. He asked, "Why does this generation ask for a sign?"
 - c. He tells them that no sign will be given.
 - d. Well, Matthew 16:1-4 tells us that Jesus wonders why we can understand the meaning of signs of the change of the weather and seasons, but can't see the signs of the things that God is doing.
 - e. Matthew 16:4 refers to the sign of Jonah as a sign that Jesus is who he says he is, but refuses to give any other sign.

8. What is the sign of Jonah? _____

9. What signs will you recognize? _____