“DON’T YOU REMEMBER?”

Mark 8:1-26

Key Verse: 8:18

1. Where might the crowd have come from and what was their condition (1; 7:31)? Why did Jesus express his compassion for this crowd to his disciples (2-3)? How is the disciples’ response this time different from the feeding of the five thousand (4; 6:37)?

2. How did Jesus feed the four thousand people, collaborating with his disciples (5-9)? What does this reveal about who Jesus is?

3. Upon Jesus’ arrival in Dalmanutha1, who came to meet him and why (11)? Why didn’t Jesus meet their demand (12; Mt 16:4)? What did Jesus mean by “yeast of the Pharisees and Herod” (13-15)? Why was this warning necessary to his disciples at that time?

4. What was on the disciples’ minds (14,16)? Read verses 17-21. How did Jesus rebuke his disciples? How might this rebuke help them to grow in understanding who Jesus was and what he was doing through them? What should we remember about Jesus?

5. Where did they arrive and who was brought to Jesus (22)? How did he heal this man (23-26)? How might the two-stage healing give hope to his disciples?