

These questions are provided for your further study and application of the message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point. It is also helpful to discuss your answers with others.

Discussion Questions

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Mark 8:1-10

1. Jesus went to the people who needed him and proclaimed the good news. Where can you go to find people who need the Lord? What kind of questions can you ask people to diagnose their spiritual condition?
2. To share the gospel, you must be around lost people. How do you balance the need to spend time with other believers and grow in holiness with the command to go and make disciples of non-believers?
3. Mark tells us that Jesus “had compassion on the crowd.” In what ways can you show compassion toward those who do not know Christ? Why can it sometimes be difficult to show compassion toward the lost?
4. Jesus saw people in need, but the disciples saw obstacles. What are some common obstacles (or perceived obstacles) to sharing the gospel? How have you seen the Holy Spirit overcome obstacles?
5. Read Romans 10:9-13. As you seek to give life to those in need of Christ, what are the necessary things you must share so that people can be saved?
6. Jesus’ preaching ministry to the Gentiles in Mark 8 showed that the gospel is for everyone. The apostles affirmed this at the Jerusalem Council in Acts 15:12-21, but many Jews continued to struggle with sharing the gospel with Gentiles. Are there particular people (or groups of people) who you have been tempted to believe are beyond the power of the gospel to be saved? How can you overcome this temptation?
7. Family verse: Read and memorize 1 Corinthians 9:22. Discuss together how you might become a family for all people so that you may see others come to Christ.