

# The Gospel of the King

## Seeing Without Understanding

**Mark 8:14-21 (ESV)**

**OBSERVATIONS**

The topic of \_\_\_\_\_ dominates this passage...

Since the disciples brought up the topic of bread, Jesus decided to teach them a \_\_\_\_\_ about the leaven of the Pharisees and Herod. (v15)

Leaven is often used in Scripture to indicate \_\_\_\_\_.

The Pharisees, Sadducees, and Herodians had one thing in common: \_\_\_\_\_.  
The leaven of the Pharisees:  
The leaven of the Sadducees:  
The leaven of Herod:

If the disciples were going to effectively carry on the mission of Jesus, they needed to understand their \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus wanted to teach the disciples a spiritual lesson, but they went right back to discussing \_\_\_\_\_. (v.16)

The disciples were anxious about lack of bread, but Jesus was concerned about their lack of \_\_\_\_\_. (v.17-21)

Questions to consider:  
Might there be something you don’t understand that Jesus is trying to get across to you?  
Are you allowing the cares of this world to rob you of life-giving truth?  
Are you on guard against the evils that can destroy you?  
What are you forgetting that Jesus wants you to remember?

The disciples \_\_\_\_\_ what Jesus was teaching them! (Mt. 16:11-12)

**APPLICATION**

We are in a better position to understand spiritual truth than the disciples were. We have at least three things that they did not at this point in Mark’s gospel.

We have the \_\_\_\_\_. Therefore, we should...

We have the \_\_\_\_\_. (Jn. 14:26) Therefore, we should...

We have access to \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor. 2:16) Therefore, we should...

We can pursue the mind of Christ by pursuing Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_.  
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**CONCLUSION**

We can optimize our \_\_\_\_\_ by digging deeper into the gospel, walking in the Spirit, and pursuing the mind of Christ.

*Dr. Dan Tankersley  
Calvary Baptist Church  
July 19, 2020*

### VBS 2020 CHANGES

**VBS Dates**

Whatever method you choose, the dates for VBS are Monday, July 27-Thursday, July 30. The final session will be in person on Sunday, August 2, 3:00-4:30pm in the Fellowship Center.

**VBS At Home**

Currently, we are editing and modifying this year’s Bible lesson material for individual family use and we are going to package this up into what we are calling a “VBS At-Home Kit.” We hope to have these kits created in the next couple weeks, and we will announce an official pick-up date for the kits soon. We encourage families who go this route to invite other family members and close friends to join you and do VBS together in a small group of people.

**Neighborhood VBS**

If you want to be part of reaching families in the Dothan area outside of the walls of our church, then sign up to be apart of “Neighborhood VBS.” This is a fun, effective outreach to children and their families in our own neighborhoods!

**Neighborhood VBS Training** | Sunday, July 19 | 2:00-4:00pm | Kid’s Worship Room

Let’s get excited about VBS this summer and make disciples in our own homes and neighborhoods! For questions or insights, contact our Children’s Ministry team at kids@calvarydothan.com or call the church office., 334.792.5159.

### Stuff the Bus for Kids! School Supplies Needed!

Help us “Stuff the Bus” with school supplies for area kids and teachers in need. All donations received will be distributed to all Dothan City Schools. Bring school supplies to Wiregrass Commons Mall Management Office, Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm now thruogh July 26 or on Saturday, July 18, to the Center Court, 11:00am-2:00pm.

### Student Summer Activities

**Water World** | Friday, July 16 | 5:00-8:00pm | Cost: \$8.00

**Drive-in Theater** | Friday, July 24 | 7:00pm | Cost: \$7.00

**Canoe Trip** | Saturday, August 1 | Details TBA

### Membership Matters

Membership Matters is divided into two consecutive (and mandatory) sessions. This means attendees of the second session will only be those that attended the first session. The next Membership Matters classes are scheduled for Sunday mornings, August 16 and 23, at 8:30 am during Life Group in the Office Building Conference Room.

### Midweek Worship Schedule

There will be no Midweek worship in July. Midweek worship will resume on campus on August 5 along with Family Night Supper. Adult Choir will not meet.

### Community Ministry Outreach Needs

#### Alabama Baptist Children’s Home

Life Groups or individuals are encouraged to take one or two items from the list below to donate monthly for a year. If you or your Life Group is interested, let Tommy Perry know at tommy@calvarydothan.com or 334.792.5159.

- disinfecting wipes
- Swiffer Wet Jet pads & spray cleaner (purple box and bottle)
- hygiene products
- individually packaged snacks
- cases of bottled water
- spaghetti sauce & noodles
- ranch dressing
- canned vegetables

#### The Harbor

- canned meat, veggies, fruits
- ramen noodles
- peanut butter
- rice, dry pasta, and sauce
- fruit cups
- any non-perishables

#### Wiregrass Hope Group

- disinfecting Wipes
- sleepers, bibs, spoons, pacifiers, diapers, & plug protectors

### Sunday Morning Schedule

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| 8:00 am  | Call to Prayer, Sanctuary                                     |
| 8:30 am  | Life Group  |
| 10:00 am | Worship in Fellowship Center                                  |
|          | Live Stream on Facebook & YouTube                             |
| 11:00 am | Worship Broadcast on The JoyFM 94.3/96.1 with a 1 week delay. |

#### No Midweek Services in July

#### I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

**My Decision Today:**

- ☐ I trusted Jesus as Savior.
- ☐ I’d like to join Calvary Baptist Church.
- ☐ I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.

- ☐ Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- ☐ Pastors & Prayer Team Only

- ☐ Churchwide



Connect Card

July 19, 2020

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July 19, 2020

The title of today's sermon is "Seeing Without Understanding." Why were the disciples slow to perceive the truth before their eyes? Better yet, why do we often miss the truth before our very eyes? In today's sermon, we will examine Mark 8:14-21 and make some observations about the disciples slowness to understand. We will then consider how we can optimize our spiritual perception. Believe it or not, we are actually in a better position to perceive spiritual truth than the disciples were! God has given us all the resources we need in order to perceive spiritual truth and walk in it. If we neglect those resources, we will limit our spiritual perception, rob ourselves of the abundant life Jesus came to give, and dishonor God. In today's text, Jesus is teaching his disciples spiritual truth in order to prepare them to carry on His mission after He's gone. Thankfully, the disciples finally understood and they did fulfill the mission! Will the same be said of us one day?

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FIRST TIME GUEST?

We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church. Please fill out the Connect Card to the left and place it in one of the offering plates when they are passed. Be sure to stop by our Next Steps kiosk after the service for a gift from us!

THE PEOPLE CAME...

July 12  
Life Group (via Zoom): 228  
10:00 Worship: 234  
Hispanic Church: 130

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund  
Given July 12: \$34,898  
Given Y-T-D: \$1,370,522  
Y-T-D Required: \$1,440,923.12  
Adoption Assistance Fund: \$4,775

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday, July 19:  
Deut 12, Ps 97-98, Is 40, Rev 10  
Monday, July 20:  
Deut 13-14, Ps 99-101, Is 41, Rev 11  
Tuesday, July 21:  
Deut 15, Ps 102, Is 42, Rev 12  
Wednesday, July 22:  
Deut 16, Ps 103, Is 43, Rev 13  
Thursday, July 23:  
Deut 17, Ps 104, Is 44, Rev 14  
Friday, July 24:  
Deut 18, Ps 105, Is 45, Rev 15  
Saturday, July 25:  
Deut 19, Ps 106, Is 46, Rev 16

4 Ways to Give

- Give online by using the MobileMission app for Apple or Android or go to calvarydothan.com/GiveOnline.
- On Sundays, drop in the collection boxes near the Fellowship Center exit doors
- Mail to 901 Montezuma Avenue, Dothan, AL 36303
- Bring to the church office, M-F, 8am-12noon & 1-4:30pm

UPDATED GUEST INFORMATION

In this interim period as we are trying to respond as responsibly as we can to the threat of Covid-19 around us, we are intentionally limiting up-close, face-to-face encounters where possible. Therefore, our "Next Steps" kiosk is temporarily closed and we are not passing offering plates for the time being. But if you are a guest, we still want to hear from you and meet you! So please complete the attached Connect Card and place in the offering collection boxes at the exits. Also, if you have prayer needs or personal needs, please share those with us as well. You may also email us at info@CalavryDothan.com or call or text anytime to (334) 708-0513. We'd love to hear from you, pray with you or for you, or talk with you about any spiritual questions you have or decisions you have made.

STAFF ON CALL

Sunday, July 19:  
Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791  
Saturday, July 25:  
Dan Tankersley | 334-655-8765  
Sunday, July 26:  
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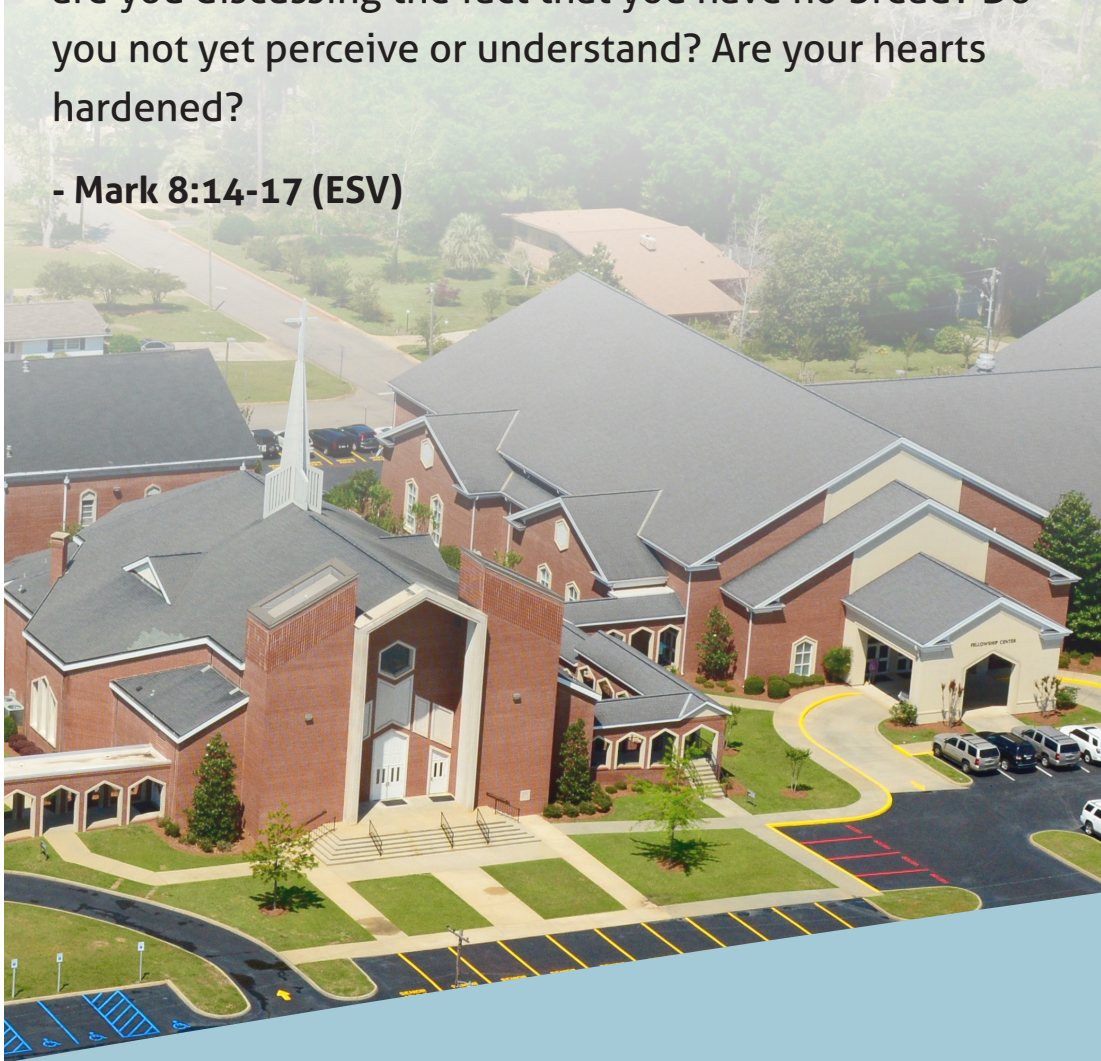
SERMON SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 26  
10:00 am  
The Gospel of the King  
A New Kind of King, Part 1  
Mark 8:27-33  
Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday, August 2  
10:00 am  
The Gospel of the King  
A New Kind of King, Part 2  
Mark 8:34-9:1  
Message by Paul Thompson

<sup>14</sup> Now they had forgotten to bring bread, and they had only one loaf with them in the boat. <sup>15</sup> And he cautioned them, saying, "Watch out; beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod." <sup>16</sup> And they began discussing with one another the fact that they had no bread. <sup>17</sup> And Jesus, aware of this, said to them, "Why are you discussing the fact that you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive or understand? Are your hearts hardened?"

- Mark 8:14-17 (ESV)



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