

**Mark 8:14-26**

**Announcing the**

# **SON OF GOD**

**from Mark's Gospel**

**Followers Don't Always  
Get Jesus**

# Kingdom of God refers to...

the rule and reign  
of Jesus



# The Goal / The Main Dish / KOG

“<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup> and saying, ‘The time is fulfilled, and **the kingdom of God is at hand**; repent and believe in the gospel.’

<sup>16</sup>Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen.”

Mark 1:14-16

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“<sup>10</sup>And when he was alone, those around him with the twelve asked him about the parables. <sup>11</sup>And he said to them, “**To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God**, but for those outside everything is in parables, <sup>12</sup>so that “ ‘they may indeed see but not perceive, and may indeed hear but not understand, lest they should turn and be forgiven.’ ” <sup>13</sup>And he said to them, “Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all the parables?”

Mark 4:10-13

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# The Goal

- To hear about the KOG and understand it
- To see the KOG and perceive it

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**What have been the  
responses so far?**

The Crowd  
seeks something  
from Jesus



**What have been the  
responses so far?**



**The Pharisees  
want to destroy  
Jesus**

**What have been the  
responses so far?**



The Disciples  
don't know what to  
do with Jesus



# 1. The flaw of believing false teaching.

“<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.”

**Mark 8:14-15**

**What are the flaws  
that keep us from  
understanding?**

# Messianic Promise

“<sup>9</sup> And he said, ‘Go, and say to this people: Keep on hearing, but do not understand; keep on seeing, but do not perceive.’ <sup>10</sup>Make the heart of this people dull, and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed.”

Isaiah 6:9-10

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## 2. The flaw of making it about us.

“<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 8:16-17**

**What are the flaws that keep us from understanding?**

### 3. The flaw of being slow to understand.

“<sup>23</sup> And he took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the village, and when he had spit on his eyes and laid his hands on him, he asked him, ‘Do you see anything?’ <sup>24</sup> And he looked up and said, ‘I see people, but they look like trees, walking.’ <sup>25</sup> Then Jesus laid his hands on his eyes again.”

**Mark 8:23-25**

**What are the flaws that keep us from understanding?**

What are we slow to understand?



# God says...



"I know you  
don't get me."