Our approach each week will be REAP (read, explain, apply, personalize). In this series, however, we won’t wait to document the ‘apply’ and ‘personalize’ until the end of the lesson. As we see them, we’ll capture them.

What is God doing in you through His word from the portion of Mark we’ve studied so far?

Read: Mark 8

Explain: Mark 8:14 →

Bible study is asking and answering questions about the text. Let’s ask some questions.

Are there any literary/structural observations?

Jesus begins to draw the net on the disciples’ understanding of who He is.

What do the words mean?


The Leaven of the Pharisees and Herod

14 Now [G2532: καί; kai; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in Mark] they had forgotten [G1950: ἐπιλανθάνομαι; epilanthanomai; verb: third plural second aorist middle deponent indicative; 1. to lose out of mind 2. (by implication) to neglect; occurs in 8:14] to bring [G2983: λαμβάνω; lambano; verb: second aorist active infinitive; 1. (actively) to take 2. (passively) to receive 3. (objectively) to get hold of (with the hand); occurs 20 times in Mark] bread [G740: ἄρτος; artos; noun: plural masculine accusative; 1. bread (as raised) or a loaf; occurs 21 times in Mark], and [G2532: καί; kai; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in Mark] they had only [G1487: εἴ; ei; conditional particle or conjunction; 1. if, whether, that, etc.; occurs 36 times in Mark] one [G1520: έἷς; heis; adjective: singular masculine accusative; 1. one; occurs 39 times in Mark] loaf [G740: ἄρτος; artos; noun: singular masculine accusative; 1. bread (as raised) or a loaf; occurs 21 times in Mark] [G3756: οὐ; ou; number: plural: plural negative; 1. no or not; occurs 118 times in Mark] in [G4143: πλοίον; ploion; noun:
singular neuter dative; 1. a sailer, i.e. vessel; occurs 17 times in Mark. 15 And [G2532: καί; kai; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in Mark] he cautioned [G1291: διαστέλλω; diastellomai; verb: third singular imperfect middle indicative; 1. to set (oneself) apart. (figuratively) to distinguish 3. (by implication) to enjoin; occurs in 5:43; 7:36 (2); 8:15; 9:9] them [G846: αὐτός; autos; personal pronoun: plural masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 755 times in Mark], saying [G3004: λέγω; lego; verb: singular masculine nominative present active participle; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 288 times in Mark], “Watch out [G3708: ὥρα; horao; verb: second plural present active imperative; 1. (properly) to stare at 2. (by implication) to discern clearly (physically or mentally) 3. (by extension) to attend to 4. (by Hebraism) to experience 5. (passively) to appear; occurs 65 times in Mark]; beware [G991: βλέπω; blepo; verb: second plural present active imperative; 1. to look at; occurs 15 times in Mark] of [G575: ἀπό; apo; preposition; 1. "off," i.e. away (from something near), in various senses (of place, time, or relation); occurs 47 times in Mark] the [G3588: ὁ; ho; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 1,499 times in Mark] leaven [G2219: ζύμη; zume; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. a fermenting agent (as if boiling up) 2. (specially) leaven 3. (figuratively, good or bad) a thorough, utterly complete change agent affecting itself and others 4. (negatively) moral or mental corruption, depravity 5. (positively) purity, integrity, a perfect condition; occurs in 8:15 (2) of the [G3588: ὁ; ho; definite article: plural masculine genitive; 1. the; occurs 1,499 times in Mark] Pharisees [G5330: Φαρισαῖος; Pharisaios; noun: plural masculine genitive; 1. a separatist, i.e. exclusively religious 2. a Pharisean, i.e. Jewish sectary; occurs 12 times in Mark] and [G2532: καί; kai; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in Mark] the [G3588: ὁ; ho; definite article: singular feminine genitive; 1. the; occurs 1,499 times in Mark] leaven [G2219: ζύμη; zume; noun: singular feminine genitive; 1. a fermenting agent (as if boiling up) 2. (specially) leaven 3. (figuratively, good or bad) a thorough, utterly complete change agent affecting itself and others 4. (negatively) moral or mental corruption, depravity 5. (positively) purity, integrity, a perfect condition; occurs in 8:15 (2)] of Herod [G2264: Ἡρώδης; Herodes; noun: singular masculine genitive; 1. heroic 2. Herod, the name of four Jewish kings; occurs in 6:14; 6:16; 6:17; 6:18; 6:20; 6:21; 6:22; 8:15].” 16 And [G2532: καί; kai; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in Mark] they began discussing [G1260: διαλογίζομαι; dialogizomai; verb: third plural imperfect middle or passive deponent indicative; 1. to reckon thoroughly 2. (genitive case) to deliberate (by reflection or discussion); occurs in 2:6; 2:8 (2); 8:16; 8:17; 9:33; 11:31] with [G4314: πρός; pros; preposition; 1. forward to, i.e. toward 2. (genitive case) the side of, i.e. pertaining to 3. (dative case) by the side of, i.e. near to 4. (accusative case, usually) the place, time, occasion, or respect (which is the destination of the relation, i.e. whither or for which it is predicated); occurs 63 times in Mark] one another [G240: ἀλλήλων; allelon; reciprocal pronoun: plural masculine accusative; 1. one another; occurs in 4:41; 8:16; 9:34; 9:50; 15:31] the fact that [G3754: ὅτι; hoti; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. (demonstrative) that (sometimes redundant) 2. (causative) because; occurs 103 times in Mark] they had [G2192: ἐχω; echo; verb: third plural present active indicative; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, continuity, relation, or condition); occurs 70 times in Mark] no [G3756: οὐ; ou; number: plural: plural negative; 1. no or not; occurs 118 times in Mark] bread [G740: ἄρτος; artos; noun: plural masculine accusative; 1. bread (as raised) or a loaf; occurs 21 times in Mark]. 17 And [G2532: καί; kai; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1.
and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in Mark] Jesus, aware [G1097: γινώσκω; ginōskō; verb: singular masculine nominative second aorist active participle; 1. to "know" (absolutely); occurs 13 times in Mark] of this, said [G3004: λέγω; legō; verb: third singular present active indicative; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 288 times in Mark] to them [G846: αὐτός; autos; personal pronoun: plural masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 755 times in Mark], “Why [G5101: τίς; tis; interrogative pronoun: singular masculine accusative; 1. an interrogative pronoun, who, which or what (in direct or indirect questions); occurs 72 times in Mark] are you discussing [G1260: διαλογίζομαι; dialogizomai; verb: second plural present middle or passive deponent indicative; 1. to reckon thoroughly 2. (genitive case) to deliberate (by reflection or discussion); occurs in 2:6; 2:8 (2); 8:16; 8:17; 9:33; 11:31] the fact that [G3754: ὅτι; hōti; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in Mark] no [G3576: οὐ; ou; number: plural: plural negative; 1. no or not; occurs 118 times in Mark] you have [G2192: ἔχω; echo; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, contiguity, relation, or condition); occurs 70 times in Mark] bread [G740: ἄρτος; artos; noun: plural masculine accusative; 1. bread (as raised) or a loaf; occurs 21 times in Mark]. Do you not yet [G3768: οὐπως; oupos; adverb: accusative negative; 1. not yet; occurs in 4:40; 8:17; 8:21; 11:2; 13:7] perceive [G3539: νοεῖω; noeio; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to exercise the mind (observe) 2. (figuratively) to comprehend, heed; occurs in 7:18; 8:17; 13:14] or [G3761: οὐδὲ; oude; conjunction or conjunctive particle: negative; 1. not however, i.e. neither, nor, not even; occurs in 4:22; 5:3; 6:31; 8:17; 11:33; 12:10; 13:32 (2); 14:59; 16:13] understand [G4920: συνίημι; suneimi; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to put together 2. (mentally) to comprehend 3. (by implication) to act piously; occurs in 4:12; 6:52; 7:14; 8:17; 8:21]? Are [G2192: ἔχω; echo; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, contiguity, relation, or condition); occurs 70 times in Mark] your [G4771: οὗ; su; personal pronoun: second plural genitive; 1. thou; occurs 163 times in Mark] [G3588: ὅ; ho; definite article: singular feminine accusative; 1. the; occurs 1,499 times in Mark] hearts [G2588: καρδιά; kardia; noun: singular feminine accusative; 1. the heart 2. (figuratively) the thoughts or feelings (mind) 3. (by analogy) the middle; occurs 11 times in Mark] hardened [G4456: παρόρα; paro; verb: singular feminine accusative perfect passive participle; 1. to petrify 2. (figuratively) to indurate (render stupid or callous); occurs in 6:52; 8:17]? 18 Having [G2192: ἔχω; echo; verb: plural masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, contiguity, relation, or condition); occurs 70 times in Mark] eyes [G3788: ὀφθαλμός; ophthalmos; noun: plural masculine accusative; 1. the eye 2. (by implication) vision 3. (figuratively) envy (from the jealous side-glance); occurs in 7:22; 8:18; 8:25; 9:47 (2); 12:11; 14:40] do you not [G3576: οὐ; ou; number: plural: plural negative; 1. no or not; occurs 118 times in Mark] see [G991: βλέπω; blepo; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to look at; occurs 15 times in Mark], and [G2532: καί; kai; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in Mark] having [G2192: ἔχω; echo; verb: plural masculine nominative present active participle; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, contiguity, relation, or condition); occurs 70 times in Mark] ears [G3775: οὖς; ous; noun: plural neuter accusative; 1. the ear (physically or mentally); occurs in 4:9; 4:23; 7:33; 8:18] do you not [G3768: οὐ; ou; number: plural: plural negative; 1. no or not; occurs 118 times in Mark] hear [G191: ἁκούω; akoua; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to hear; occurs 44 times in Mark]? And [G2532: καί; kai;
conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in Mark] do you not [G3756: οὖ; ou; number: plural; plural negative; 1. no or not; occurs 118 times in Mark] remember [G3421: μνημονεύω; mnemonoe; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to exercise memory, i.e. recollect 2. (by implication) to punish 3. also to rehearse; occurs in 8:18]? 19 When [G3753: ὅτε; hote; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. at which (thing) too, i.e. when; occurs 12 times in Mark] I broke [G2806: κλάω; klaω; verb: first singular aorist active indicative; 1. to break (specially, of bread); occurs in 8:6; 8:19; 14:22] the [G3588: ὁ; ho; definite article: plural masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 1,499 times in Mark] five [G4002: πέντε; pente; adjective (indeclinable numeral); 1. five; occurs in 6:38; 6:41; 8:19] loaves [G740: ἄρτος; artos; noun: plural masculine accusative; 1. bread (as raised) or a loaf; occurs 21 times in Mark] for [G1519: εἰς; eis; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 168 times in Mark] the [G3588: ὁ; ho; definite article: plural masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 1,499 times in Mark] five thousand [G4000: πεντακισχίλιοι; pentakischilioi; adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. five times a thousand; occurs in 6:44; 8:19], how many [G4214: πόσος; posos; correlative or interrogative pronoun: plural masculine accusative; 1. interrogative pronoun (of amount) how much (large, long or (plural) many); occurs in 6:38; 8:5; 8:19; 8:20; 9:21; 15:4] baskets [G2894: κόφωνος; kophinos; noun: plural masculine accusative; 1. a (small) basket; occurs in 6:43; 8:19] full [G4134: πλήρης; pleres; adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. filled, replete, or covered over 2. (by analogy) complete; occurs in 4:28; 8:19] of broken pieces [G2801: κλάσμα; klasma; noun: plural neuter genitive; 1. a piece (bit); occurs in 6:43; 8:8; 8:19; 8:20] did you take up [G142: αἴρω; airo; verb: second plural aorist active indicative; 1. to lift up 2. (by implication) to take up or away 3. (figuratively) to raise (the voice), keep in suspense (the mind) 4. (specially) to sail away (i.e. weigh anchor) 5. (by Hebraism) to atone for sin; occurs 20 times in Mark]?” They said [G3004: λέγω; lego; verb: third plural present active indicative; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 288 times in Mark] to him [G846: αὐτός; autos; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 755 times in Mark], “Twelve [G1427: δώδεκα; dodeka; adjective (indeclinable numeral); 1. two and ten, i.e. a dozen; occurs 15 times in Mark].” 20 “And [G3753: ὅτε; hote; adverb or adverb and particle combined; 1. at which (thing) too, i.e. when; occurs 12 times in Mark] the [G3588: ὁ; ho; definite article: plural masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 1,499 times in Mark] seven [G2033: ἑπτά; hepta; adjective (indeclinable numeral); 1. seven; occurs in 8:5; 8:6; 8:8; 8:20 (2); 12:20; 12:22; 12:23; 16:9] for [G1519: εἰς; eis; preposition; 1. to or into (indicating the point reached or entered), of place, time 2. (figuratively) to or into a purpose (result, etc.); occurs 168 times in Mark] the [G3588: ὁ; ho; definite article: plural masculine accusative; 1. the; occurs 1,499 times in Mark] four thousand [G5070: τετρακισχίλιοι; tettrakischilioi; adjective: plural masculine accusative; 1. four times a thousand; occurs in 8:9; 8:20], how many [G4214: πόσος; posos; correlative or interrogative pronoun: plural neuter genitive; 1. interrogative pronoun (of amount) how much (large, long or (plural) many); occurs in 6:38; 8:5; 8:19; 8:20; 9:21; 15:4] baskets [G4711: σπυρίς; spuris; noun: plural feminine genitive; 1. a hamper or lunch-receptacle; occurs in 8:8; 8:20] full [G4138: πλήρωμα; pleroma; noun: plural neuter accusative; 1. repletion or completion 2. (subjectively) what fills (as contents, supplement, copiousness, multitude) 3. (objectively) what is filled (as container, performance, period); occurs in 2:21; 6:43; 8:20] of broken pieces [G2801: κλάσμα; klasma; noun: plural neuter genitive; 1. a piece (bit); occurs in 6:43; 8:8;
8:19; 8:20] *did you take up* [G142: αἴρω; airo; verb: second plural aorist active indicative; 1. to lift up 2. (by implication) to take up or away 3. (figuratively) to raise (the voice), keep in suspense (the mind) 4. (specially) to sail away (i.e. weigh anchor) 5. (by Hebraism) to atone for sin; occurs 20 times in *Mark]*?  And [G2532: καί; kai; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in *Mark]* they said [G3004: λέγω; lego; verb: third plural present active indicative; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 288 times in *Mark]* to him [G846: αὐτός; autos; personal pronoun: singular masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 755 times in *Mark]*, “Seven [G2033: ἑπτά; hepta; adjective (indeclinable numeral); 1. seven; occurs in 8:5; 8:6; 8:8; 8:20 (2); 12:20; 12:22; 12:23; 16:9].” 21 And [G2532: καί; kai; conjunction or conjunctive particle; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 1,083 times in *Mark]* he said [G3004: λέγω; lego; verb: third singular imperfect active indicative; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 288 times in *Mark]* to them [G846: αὐτοῖς; autos; personal pronoun: plural masculine dative; 1. self; occurs 755 times in *Mark]*, “Do you not [G3768: οὔπω; oupo; adverb: accusative negative; 1. not yet; occurs in 4:40; 8:17; 8:21; 11:2; 13:7] yet understand [G4920: συνιήμι; suniemi; verb: second plural present active indicative; 1. to put together 2. (mentally) to comprehend 3. (by implication) to act piously; occurs in 4:12; 6:52; 7:14; 8:17; 8:21]?”

**Footnote:** b. *Mark 8:15* Some manuscripts the Herodians

**Apply (What is the point?)**

**Personalize (What do we do with that?)**

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**Our schedule plan**

Next week we'll start with *Mark 8:***, and we'll go until we're finished.

**Homework**

1. Pray for help in understanding *Mark*
2. Hear *Mark* multiple times
3. Think about *Mark* often (day and night)
4. Talk with someone (dead or alive) about *Mark*
5. Share your insights about *Mark*
6. Invite a member and a non-member

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