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Suggested Questions for Individual
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- How does Jesus involve the disciples in the feeding of the crowd? What lessons might they have learned from this?
- Why do the Pharisees want a sign from Jesus at this point in the story? Why does Jesus respond to them as he does?
- In what ways do we ask for signs from the Lord? What motivates these requests?
- What is the yeast or leaven of the Pharisees and of Herod? How might this be present today, and how might Jesus warn us similarly?
- How would you summarize the series of questions Jesus asks his disciples (Mk. 8:17-21)? How is Jesus treating his disciples differently than the crowds or the Pharisee?
- About what might Jesus ask these questions of Christian disciples today?
- What is something the Lord is calling you to understand and/or remember, or how is the Lord revealing a hardness of your heart? How will you respond? How can your small group or others support and pray for you?

For Family Discussion: Ask: *What makes teachers sad or frustrated?* Read Mark 8:1-21. Ask: *What makes Jesus sad or frustrated in this story? What does Jesus do for the hungry people? What does he want his disciples to learn?* Pray and ask the Lord to help you the lessons he is teaching you.

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