

Sunday, January 9, 2022

Mark 8:10-33

What was the best thing OR the worst thing that happened to you in 2021?

1. In verse 11, the Pharisees demand a sign from Jesus. Can you think of a time when you asked Him for a sign?

What happened?
2. In verse 13 Jesus left the Pharisees and went to the other side. Do you ever feel like God has left you and gone to the other side?
3. In verse 15, Jesus warns the disciples of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of the Herodians. Do you suppose those are the same “leaven”? Why or why not and does it matter?
4. Jesus asks the disciples if they have hardened hearts. What does that look like for the disciples? How do we know if our hearts are getting hardened?
5. Read Matthew 11:20-21. Now He’s back in Bethsaida. Does His previous pronouncement of judgement effect the way He reacts this time?

Do you suppose America is under judgement and if so, what does that portend for us as the church and for us as individuals?
6. Mark 8:22-25 has the only two-part miracle of Jesus. We know and we understand that Jesus could have healed him instantly like other miracles in Scripture. Any ideas why Jesus chose to do this miracle like this?
7. Read verse 27 and verse 28. I know we’ve talked about this before but it needs to be visited often. Why do you suppose there is so much confusion regarding the person of Jesus Christ?
8. In light of this great confusion—what can we do?