

Sunday School Lesson Mark 8:22-38

Have you ever bitten into a piece of fruit that looked fine on the outside, only to find that it was rotten and gross on the inside?

Well Jesus story today shows us that it's not what's on the outside that counts, but rather what's inside.

Video Q's:

- How many of the riddles did you get right?
- Did any of your family argue that the riddle wasn't clear enough, or could have been something else?
- Did knowing the answer help you to understand what the riddle was all about?

Bible Q's:

- Try and find Mark chapter 8 in your bible (see if you can do it without mum or dad's help)
- Read Mark 8:22-26
- When Jesus started to heal this blind man (in a pretty gross way) how did it go? Could he see right away?
- What happened after the second time?
- The author of this book (Mark) uses this story a bit like a riddle or an illustration of the next two parts of the story (27-30 & 31-33). See if you can figure out what the blind man has to do with Peter? (answer is on the next page)
- Read Mark 8:27-30
- Who does Peter say that Jesus is? What is a Messiah?
- Read Mark 8:31-33
- Jesus is talking to his Disciples about God's plan for Him to rescue the world from sin, by dying and rising again (to be the saving king/Messiah). What does Peter do when he hears this? What does it mean to rebuke?
- What does Jesus say back to him and why is he so harsh? (think about who tried to make Jesus turn away from his mission in Mark 1:13 or Luke 4:1-13)

- Read Mark 8:34-38
- Jesus calls everyone together to tell them what it takes to follow him. Does it sound easy or hard? Does it sound worth it?

Big Life moment:

- Peter says the right things about Jesus being the Messiah, but then he acts in a totally different way. He says he knows Jesus is the Boss, but then he tries to boss Jesus around and tell him what to do. Unfortunately we often do the same thing, we say that we're a Christian and that we follow Jesus, but then we ignore what he says, or keep Him out of parts of our lives that we want to be the boss of instead.
- But Jesus want's people to trust him, love him, and follow him fully. He's the Boss, so let's live like it.

DON'T JUST READ THIS BECAUSE YOUR'E LAZY. THINK ABOUT IT FIRST:

The blind man can see part of the picture at first, just like Peter only part gets who Jesus is. As Jesus places his hands on his eyes the 2nd time he can see fully. This won't happen to Peter until Jesus rises again.