



## **The Story & Way of Jesus**

### **Seeing & Hearing**

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### **Mark 4:33-34**

With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they

could understand. He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.

### **Mark 4:40-41** [Jesus Calms the Sea]

He said to his disciples, “Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?” They were terrified and asked each other, “Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!”

### **Mark 6:49-52**

But when they saw him walking on the lake, they thought he was a ghost. They cried out, because they all saw him and were terrified. Immediately he spoke to them and said, “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.” Then he climbed into the boat with them, and the wind died down. They were completely amazed, for they had not understood about the loaves; their hearts were hardened.

### **Mark 8:14-21**

The disciples had forgotten to bring bread, except for one loaf they had with them in the boat. “Be careful,” Jesus warned them. “Watch out for the yeast of the Pharisees and that of Herod.” They discussed this with one another and said, “It is because we have no bread.” Aware of their discussion, Jesus asked them: “Why are you talking about having no bread? Do you still not see or understand? Are your hearts hardened? Do you have eyes but fail to see, and ears but fail to hear? And don’t you remember? When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many basketfuls of pieces did you pick up?” “Twelve,” they replied. “And when I broke the seven loaves for the four thousand, how many basketfuls of pieces did you pick up?” They answered, “Seven.” He said to them, “Do you still not understand?”

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1. Consider where you might be in your "seeing and hearing" journey with Jesus.
2. What might be blinding you in seeing who Jesus really is and what He is doing?
3. If you don't know Jesus, you begin following Him. You can also be brought to Jesus.