

## Spiritual Blindness Exemplified Mark 8:10-26

### I. Introduction

### II. The Pharisees' Craving of Signs Rebuked. vv. 10-13

- A. A wicked generation seeks after a sign. vv. 10-11 (Mark 1:13, 8:11, 10:2, 12:15, 3:22, Ex. 16:4, 1 Kings 18:30f, 1 Cor. 1:22, Jn. 2:18-19)
- B. Wanting a sign is evidence of unbelief and blindness. vv. 12-13 (Mark 3:5, Jn. 4:48, Matt. 12:38-40, Matt. 16:4, Gen. 7:1, Ps. 95:10, Deut. 13:2-5, Deut. 18:22)

### III. The Disciples' Dull Spiritual Perception Rebuked. vv. 14-21

- A. Do you fail to perceive things spiritually? vv. 14-21 (Matt. 13:33, Matt. 16:6, 11, Mark 8:15, 1 Cor. 5:7, 8, Lk. 12:1-2, 1 Cor. 5:6, Matt. 16:8)
- B. Our Lord wisely fires seven instructive questions. vv. 17-18 (Mark 4:40, 6:52, Ezek. 12:2, Jer. 5:21, Mark 8:19-20, Ps. 63:6, Jn. 14:26, 2 Pet. 1:12-13)

### IV. Jesus' healing of the blind man is a picture of our spiritual inability. 8:22-26

- A. In coming to Jesus, do you have great expectations? (Jn. 9, Matt. 9:27f, 12:22, Mark 7:31f, 7:32, 7:36, 7:37, 8:17, 8:27-30, 8:22, 7:33, 8:23, Is. 35:5-6, Gen. 1:31)
- B. Physical healings are a metaphor for spiritual change. (Mark 8:18, 29, Is. 35:5, Mark 5:34, Matt. 15, Mark 8:29, Eph. 4:17-18, 2 Cor. 4:4, Jn. 9:39-41)

### V. Conclusion / Application (1 Sam. 7:12, Rev. 2:5)

