

GOSPEL OF MARK
The Need To Understand
Mark 8:1-21

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1. The Lord often helps us understand truth by _____ the lessons we need to learn.

a. When the Lord grants us insight into His Word, we need to recognize those truths as being very _____.

b. To understand the truth we need to take time to _____ deeply about what we have learned and the implications for our lives.

c. We need to be _____ about the depth of our own understanding and patient with others.

2. If we will not _____ the truth, then we will not understand the truth.

a. _____ about the faith should come from a desire to better understand, not to undermine it.

b. Unbelief _____ the Lord.

3. We must take heed to the Lord's _____ if we are to grow in understanding the truth.

"_____ exactly describes the small beginnings of false doctrine,--the subtle quiet way in which it insensibly pervades a man's religion,--the deadly power with which it changes the whole character of his Christianity." - J.C Ryle

a. Be careful of the self-righteousness that comes from a focus on external traditions and ignores the _____.

b. Be careful of _____ philosophies that end up taking precedence over the Word of God.