

ARE YOU MISSING THE SIGNS?

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KEY SCRIPTURES

- [Mark 8:11-21](#)
- [Matthew 16:1-12](#)

KEY POINTS

- The Pharisees came to argue and test. They probably didn't actually want a miracle; they wanted more fuel to accuse him of being a false prophet.
- The Pharisees and Sadducees (it's crazy that they worked together here) wanted a sign from heaven. Signs from heaven would:
 - show the prophet to be trustworthy and reliable.
 - show power and authority.
- Many of the miracles that Jesus performed were done in response to the person's faith.
- There are many instances where Jesus did not perform miracles. It was usually a response to the motive behind the request or because Jesus knows the bigger picture.
- The disciples missed out on an important lesson because they got distracted and forgot about what Jesus had already done for them.
- 3 questions we should ask ourselves:
 - What is the heart behind the things we ask of God?
 - Are we missing the signs?
 - What have we forgotten that God has already done?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Looking at the 3 questions above, did any question stick out specifically? What was convicting about it?
2. Share about a time in your life when you didn't know what God was doing but could later see how God used that time for good?
3. Many of the questions dealt with the motive behind our request or struggles with seeing the answer, but first we have to ask the Lord for help. What are some areas in your life where you find it difficult to ask the Lord for help?
4. What are some practical ways that you can help yourself remember and not forget what the Lord has done for you?
5. What is the Gospel message and why is it so needed for you right now?