**[ Inductive Bible Study Question – LA UBF ]**

**Mark 8:1-13**

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| During those days another large crowd gathered. Since they had nothing to eat, Jesus called his disciples to him and said, 2 “I have compassion for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat. 3 If I send them home hungry, they will collapse on the way, because some of them have come a long distance.”  4 His disciples answered, “But where in this remote place can anyone get enough bread to feed them?”  5 “How many loaves do you have?” Jesus asked.  “Seven,” they replied.  6 He told the crowd to sit down on the ground. When he had taken the seven loaves and given thanks, he broke them and gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people, and they did so. 7 They had a few small fish as well; he gave thanks for them also and told the disciples to distribute them. 8 The people ate and were satisfied. Afterward the disciples picked up seven basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. 9 About four thousand were present. After he had sent them away, 10 he got into the boat with his disciples and went to the region of Dalmanutha.  11 The Pharisees came and began to question Jesus. To test him, they asked him for a sign from heaven. 12 He sighed deeply and said, “Why does this generation ask for a sign? Truly I tell you, no sign will be given to it.” 13 Then he left them, got back into the boat and crossed to the other side. |

**I. General observation (What does the text say?)**

The first step in Inductive Bible Study is to get the **big picture**; to see the **forest** before the individual trees!

Focus on understanding the overall context and structure. Apply Observation tools selectively to the text situation.

**1. Identify a Genre of this chapter**

Historical Narrative

**2. Big Picture**

identified the background, historical context and overall sense of the entire book

🡪 Refer to the book of Mark gospel Introduction

**3. Factual Study**

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| **Read whole passage, divide the passage into different paragraphs and make your own subtitle for each paragraph (10 min)** |

**II. Observe and interpret paragraphs according to the following division.**

**1. Try to figure out this event using 5W1H.**

- Who (main characters) :

- When (time) :

- Where (place) :

- What (what happened?) :

**2.What are the emphasized or repeated words of the passage?**

**- emphasized word**

**- repeated word**

**3. Write down the contrasts and comparisons in the passage.**

**4. Write down the connections.**

**(**If condition, cause & effect etc)

**5. Write down the main points of this passage.**

(Consider the author's flow of thought)

**6. What are keywords and verses?**

**7. Write down the main thought of the passage in one sentence.**

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| **8. Interpretation & Application**  **(“What lesson does the passage give to the audience? & How can I apply the text to me?”)**  **1) Interpretive questions? (The questions that we make to get the lesson from the text)**  Ex) Why should we love one another?    **2) Interpretation**  **3) Apply the text to your life**   * **The Word that touched your heart** * **Examine yourself with the word and write what you find. (refer to the guideline)** * **What can you do to obey the word? (try to write specific action)** |

**III. Let’s share our application in the group taking a turn.**

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**\* Guideline for application**

**Step1) Examine Ourselves**

Examine your life by asking nine questions in five areas.

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| **<Areas to Examine>**  My relation with God  My personal life  My relations with others  (family, church, work..)  My relation with the enemy  My world | **<Nine Questions>**  Is there an example for me to follow?  Is there a sin to avoid?  Is there a promise to claim?  Is there a prayer to repeat?  Is there a command to obey?  Is there a condition to meet?  Is there a verse to memorize?  Is there an error to mark?  Is there a challenge to face? |

**Step2) Make Action Plan**

1) Decide on a specific action (goal of meditation)

2) Application must be practical: - Practical / Measurable / Attainable

**Step3) Share your decision**

**Step4) Do action**

**Step5) Check your fruit of application**