



Daily Reflections

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Scripture

Mark 8:14-21

The disciples had forgotten to bring bread,
and they had only one loaf with them in the boat.

Jesus enjoined them, "Watch out,
guard against the leaven of the Pharisees
and the leaven of Herod."

They concluded among themselves that
it was because they had no bread.

When he became aware of this he said to them,
"Why do you conclude that it is because you have no bread?"

Do you not yet understand or comprehend?

Are your hearts hardened?

Do you have eyes and not see, ears and not hear?

And do you not remember,

when I broke the five loaves for the five thousand,

how many wicker baskets full of fragments you picked up?"

They answered him, "Twelve."

"When I broke the seven loaves for the four thousand, how many full baskets of fragments did you pick up?"

They answered him, "Seven."

He said to them, "Do you still not understand?"

Our Scripture Reflection:

It is always amazing to me how the disciples in Mark's Gospel were so often clueless even after Our Lord performed power miracles! Why? Did they take what they saw and heard for granted? When you read the scriptures, do you hear The Lord speak to you or are they simply words on a page?

Food for your Journey:

The Bible that is falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn't.

—Unknown.

The Bible has survived the ignorance of its friends and the hatred of its enemies.

—Unknown.

If you are unaware of what God has written in the Bible, you will likely listen to what Satan whispers in your ear.

—Bill Gordon.

A Prayer from the Heart:

Precious Lord, Open my eyes and ears and heart so that I may always recognize and give thanks for Your Presence among me. Amen.