

Galilee. And going up into a mountain, he sat there.

30 ^m And there came to him great multitudes, having with them the dumb, the blind, the lame, the maimed, and many others: and they cast them down at his feet, and he healed them:

31 So that the multitudes marvelled seeing the dumb speak, the lame walk, the blind see: and they glorified the God of Israel.

32 ⁿ And Jesus called together his disciples, and said: **I have compassion on the multitudes, because they continue with me now three days, and have not what to eat, and I will not send them away fasting, lest they faint in the way.**

33 And the disciples say unto him: Whence then should we have so many loaves in the desert, as to fill so great a multitude?

34 And Jesus said to them: **How many loaves have you?** But they said: Seven, and a few little fishes.

35 And he commanded the multitude to sit down upon the ground.

36 And taking the seven loaves and the fishes, and giving thanks, he brake, and gave to his disciples, and the disciples gave to the people.

37 And they did all eat, and had their fill. And they took up seven baskets full, of what remained of the fragments.

38 And they that did eat, were four thousand men, beside children and women.

39 And having dismissed the multitude, he went up into a boat, and came into the coasts of Magedan.

CHAPTER 16

Christ refuses to shew the Pharisees a sign from heaven. Peter's confession is rewarded. He is rebuked for opposing Christ's passion. All his followers must deny themselves.

AND ^o there came to him the Pharisees and Sadducees tempting: and they asked him to shew them a sign from heaven.

2 But he answered and said to them: **When it is evening, you say, It will be fair weather, for the sky is red.**

3 **And in the morning: To day there**

^m Is. 35:5.—ⁿ Mark 8:1.—^o Mark 8:11.—^p Luke 12:54.

^q Matt. 12:39.—^r Jon. 2:1.—^s Mark 8:15; Luke 12:1.

CHAP. 16. VER. 18. *Thou art Peter*, etc. As St. Peter, by divine revelation, here made a solemn profession of his faith of the divinity of Christ; so

will be a storm, for the sky is red and lowering. You know then how to discern the face of the sky: and can you not know the signs of the times?

4 ^q **A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign: and a sign shall not be given it, ^r but the sign of Jonas the prophet.** And he left them, and went away.

5 And when his disciples were come over the water, they had forgotten to take bread.

6 Who said to them: ^s **Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees.**

7 But they thought within themselves, saying: Because we have taken no bread.

8 And Jesus knowing it, said: **Why do you think within yourselves, O ye of little faith, for that you have no bread?**

9 **Do you not yet understand, neither do you remember ^t the five loaves among five thousand men, and how many baskets you took up?**

10 ^u **Nor the seven loaves among four thousand men, and how many baskets you took up?**

11 **Why do you not understand that it was not concerning bread I said to you: Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees?**

12 Then they understood that he said not that they should beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

13 ^v And Jesus came into the quarters of Cesarea Philippi: and he asked his disciples, saying: **Whom do men say that the Son of man is?**

14 But they said: ^w Some John the Baptist, and other some Elias, and others Jeremias, or one of the prophets.

15 Jesus saith to them: **But whom do you say that I am?**

16 Simon Peter answered and said: ^x **Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God.**

17 And Jesus answering, said to him: **Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-Jona: because flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but my Father who is in heaven.**

18 ^y **And I say to thee: That thou art**

^t Matt. 14:17; John 6:9.—^u Matt. 15:34.—^v Mark 8:27.

^w Mark 8:28; Luke 9:19.—^x John 6:70—^y John 12:42.

in recompense of this faith and profession, our Lord here declares to him the dignity to which he is pleased to raise him: viz., that he to whom he had