

WEEK FIVE June 28, 2020

What Jesus Can Give You

Text: Mark 6: 30-44

Big Idea: We need to stay mindful of our spiritual blessings. We get a lot from Jesus!

Memory verse: "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45

Weekly Ministry Items
Announcements:
Outreach/Ministry Reports:
Prayer Time:
Group Lesson Plan:
Paraphrase the Text:
Read the Text:
Facilitate Bible Study:

Discussion Questions:

Icebreaker: What was the largest number of people you prepared a meal for? Did you worry if you had enough food?

Verse 30 begins with the disciples providing Jesus a ministry report. What things had they been doing? Read Mark 6: 12-13. What was Jesus' response (31)? Is rest a virtue in our activity-crazed culture? What are some problems we may face with being too busy? How would you describe your schedule?

Summarize verses 33-34 in your own words. Why did Jesus feel compassion for the large crowd? Do you think Jesus' primary concern for the crowd was food? Why or why not? What was His concern? In what way did Jesus provide them spiritual food?

In verses 35-36, the disciples came to Jesus to present a problem they had observed. What was it? What was the disciples' solution to the problem? What was the Lord's solution (37)? How did the disciples react to Jesus' answer? Do you think Jesus was testing them to see how much they had learned on their earlier mission trip (vv. 12-13)? Put yourself in the place of the disciples. How would you feel if all you had in your hands were 5 loaves and 2 fish to be shared among thousands of hungry people? What do you think Jesus' assessment of the situation really was?

Read verses 39-41. What did Jesus do after seating His "guests"? Read Psalm 23:2. How is this promise displayed in our story? In Christ we have a Great Shepherd to care for our needs. He can be trusted. He does indeed make His children lay "down in green pastures."

What is significant about Jesus praying before breaking the bread? Is this an example for us to follow? What happened immediately after Jesus prayed? Read Ephesians 3:20. The leftover baskets should serve as a perpetual reminder to us that God is good and more than capable of looking out for us. Do you ever feel inadequate or fearful that your needs will not be met? Give yourself and your needs to Jesus. He can do far more with you and your needs than you ever will in a thousand life times. (see Philippians 4:19)

This miracle demonstrates that Jesus Christ is the Great Shepherd who loves all and can provide for all including you.

Teaching To Obey (Matt. 28:20):

In response to God's revealed truth in your life, what action steps will you take today to obey His will? Are there:

<u>Sins to confess? Promises to claim? Attitudes to change? Commands to obey? Examples to follow?</u>

Our text for July 5: Mark 10: 46-52