

Friday, July 30, 2021

John 6:1-21



We read in v. 9 about a boy, who brought five barley loaves and two fish. In this passage we also learned that Jesus took the food, blessed it, and fed over five thousand people—*with enough left over to fill twelve baskets!*

The boy with the loaves and fish clearly did not bring enough food to feed five thousand people. How did Jesus make this work for all these people?

Saturday, July 31, 2021

Life Application and Challenge



God does *not* have an expectation or a desire for each one of us to do his work completely and without assistance. What God expects is for us (1) to bring what we have, (2) to bring our best, and (3) to bring our “A” game.

What kinds of projects within the church or out in the mission field have we avoided because we did not possess all the tools to complete the job ourselves?

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¹³ "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. ¹⁴ But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.—Matthew 7:13-14—NIV

How Can We Move Beyond Reasonable?

2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 145:10-18; Ephesians 3:14-21; John 6:1-21

The week of July 25, 2021

⁵ When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?”

⁶ He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. John 6:5-6—NIV

What teaching points, lifestyle questions, and biblical learnings can I take away from the sermon and apply to my own life today?

We are on this journey together. There is no need to travel it alone...

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My Daily Prayer Focus

Please pray for our church:
that we will welcome and receive
what is ***possible*** with God, not just
what is ***reasonable*** to us.

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MY PRAYER JOURNAL
FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 26, 2021

John 6:1-21



These verses contain two major miracles: (1) Jesus feeding of the multitude (vv. 1-15) and (2) Jesus walking on the water (vv. 16-21). Both of these stories are important enough to warrant their inclusion in all of the gospel accounts.

Jesus fed thousands of people with a few loaves and a few fish, and then he walked on the sea! Why doesn't God do miracles now? *Or does he?* Explain.

Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Psalm 145:10-18



Please *re*-read this passage. As you think about what you read, consider the intimate relationship between God and God's creation.

With all of our knowledge in the realm of science and medicine—*here in the twenty-first century*—how can we reconcile this against ancient accounts of the creation and of God's love for us? Give some detail in your answer.

Tuesday, July 27, 2021

2 Kings 4:42-44



This lesson concludes a chapter on *and* teaches the reader/hearer about the miraculous power of God at work through Elisha. What we are missing is the evidence of the political and cultural upheaval at work in the community.

How did/do the political and cultural pressures on *or* within communities influence the actions of and the writings of its prophets? Explain.

Thursday, July 29, 2021

Ephesians 3:14-21



This passage teaches how we live in community—*with one another*—because of our relationship with God. These concepts inseparable, and we know that our ethics flow from our relationship with God.

While *theology* and *ethics* are distinct academic disciplines, one flows from the other. How do we explain the basis for our ethics to a *non*-Christian?
