

# Feeding the 5,000

## Matthew 14:13-21

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The Miracles of Jesus Series

### Reflect

Outline: Recap

### Realize

Points to Ponder

### Respond

Questions to draw out understanding.

## REFLECT

One of the most famous miracles of Jesus is the feeding of the 5,000. It is the only miracle that all four of the Gospels speak of. There are so many reasons for this. Maybe most provocatively, it's because the children of Israel still rejoiced in God's feeding the multitudes in the wilderness with the bread of heaven. And now, in Jesus, a new and greater Moses was here. As we explore this amazing miracle, there is much for us to learn about walking with Jesus.

## REALIZE

### 1. Compassion drives blessing

- **Scripture Reference:** Matthew 14:13-21, Colossians 3:12-14
- **Questions for Reflection**
  - Where is God trying to give me eyes that see people differently?

### 2. See a need, meet a need

- **Scripture Reference:** Matthew 14:13-21, Philippians 2:3-4
- **Questions for Reflection**
  - Where can I help?

### 3. Bring what you have to Jesus

- **Scripture Reference:** Matthew 14:13-21, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8
- **Questions for Reflection**
  - How is Jesus wanting to include you in His purposes and plans?

### 4. Jesus takes, blesses, breaks, and then gives

- **Scripture Reference:** Matthew 14:13-21, Matthew 26:26
- **Questions for Reflection**
  - Where can you give even in your brokenness?

### 5. Enjoy the leftovers

- **Scripture Reference:** Matthew 14:13-21
- **Questions for Reflection**
  - What is an area of your life that Jesus is blessing?

### Optional Follow-up Questions:

- What makes you say that?
- How do you feel about that?
- How would you explain your answer to a non-Christian friend or neighbor?
- Why did God design it to work that way? Why not just do (whatever else) instead?
- What would you say to someone who disagrees with that?
- Why do we really have to do it like that? Why can't we just go (some other route) instead?