

Creation to Christ, Lesson 27: Jesus Feeds

Read: Matt 14:13-21 & 15:32-39

Personal Notes on the two accounts:

What can we learn from this? (7 Observations)

#1 Jesus is _____!

Jesus wants to be _____ to YOU. He wants to show YOU mercy and kindness.

He wants you to _____ to him; just as the crowds did, so that he can show you the same care and concern.

#2 The crowds drew _____ to Jesus.

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. **James 4:8**

*But there is a **right** and **wrong** way to draw near to God...(Read John 6:26-27, James 4:3-4)*

Right Means: drawing near to God...because **God is** the ever satisfying solution to my problems...

Wrong Means: drawing near to God...because what God **may give me** is what I think is the ever satisfying solution to my problems...

#3 Jesus _____ those in need!

Jesus wants to _____ your 'illnesses'! Only Jesus can heal us from the disease of sin and self.

#4 Jesus did not want the people to _____!

Jesus doesn't want us _____ around looking for satisfaction elsewhere. (See Matt 11:28, John 6:35) Jesus can, will and wants to meet all your needs and satisfy you completely!

#5 Jesus uses a _____ amount of food to feed a _____ crowd of people!

God can and will use anything and anyone...even YOU, to have incredible, massive, eternal impact.

#6 The Disciples and the people did not have any _____ to remedy the situation. What they did have would never be _____.

You and I have no ability to help our situation. We have no ability to heal ourselves, satisfy ourselves, **and neither do the towns nearby.**

We have no power to overcome our illnesses and weaknesses...nor to satisfy the deepest hunger of our souls.

FYI: Didn't the Disciples just see Jesus feed 5,000 people with 5 loaves and 2 fish in an exact same situation a few days earlier? In fact, at this point, they have seen Jesus heal the *demon possessed, paralyzed, the blind, every kind of disease and illness* (Matt 4:23-24, 8:16), *heal a child in a separate town* (Matt 8:5-13), *calm a raging storm* (Matt 8:23-27)

How many times will Jesus have to step into our lives and **heal us, help us, provide for us, answer our prayers...**for us to start _____ him immediately for all things??

#7 Everyone ate and was satisfied! There was a _____ of food left over!

God WILL provide _____ and _____ what you need...when you turn to him to meet your needs. He will not withhold anything from you that you **NEED** for "satisfaction" and "nourishment." And there will be enough left over for you to give to others.

By this miracle, Jesus shows that he is 'Yaweh' who rained down _____ from heaven to feed the same nation.

Jesus had not come to give them perishable food for their perishable bodies. He had come to give them imperishable food for their imperishable souls.