

MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE

Hello, My Name Is Bay Shore

1. As we kicked off this stand alone message, Joel asked if you had to choose one, do you prefer Wawa or Royal Farms? Which one did you pick & give some reasons why.

- 2. When the most recent Wawa was built, it wasn't uncommon to hear, *Rehoboth doesn't need another Wawa!* In 2011 (before our campus opened), it would have been just as easy to say *Rehoboth doesn't need another church...there's around 20 already!* After hearing this message, why do you think it was important for Bay Shore to open its doors to serve Rehoboth.
- 3. In this message, Joel said *Bay Shore is here to create an environment where people grow & the unchurched love to go.* What does that mean to you & how have you experienced that in our church?
- 4. Joel said that a core value for Bay Shore is *if you want to reach people no one else is reaching, you've got to do things no one else is doing.* In what ways have you experienced that in our church?
- 5. Read Matthew 14:13-15. What was Jesus' first reaction when He saw the huge crowd? What did the disciples want to do with the huge crowd? How do these two approaches differ?
- 6. The disciples 1st instinct was to *send away* the morally & physically sick crowd while Jesus had compassion on them. Have you ever felt uncomfortable with someone at church because you know their behavior? How could you approach that situation with more compassion?
- 7. Read Matthew 14:16-21. Jesus included his disciples in a great miracle by having them give what they had & serve people. How can giving & serving at Bay Shore make you a part of something great?
- 8. Joel closed this message by reading some thoughts he wrote down called, *I dream of a church*. At the end he said, *when you give & serve at Bay Shore, that dream... becomes real.* In what ways did the church described resonate with you?

FROM THE BIBLE Matthew 14:13-21 (NLT)

