

It's not about the Food!
Mark 8:1-21
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Read Mark 8:1-10

It has been about (6 months) since the first feeding miracle in Chapter 6

We should also pray before we eat to show our (gratitude to) and
(dependence on) God

(Ministry) is always birthed out of (compassion), Vs 2

*"In Kingdom-nomics the solution often begins with what is presently
available to solve the problem"* – Pastor Jan

God always provides (more than enough) out of (less than enough)

Read Mark 8:11-13

The Pharisees demanded a (miracle) and got (nothing)

Read Mark 8:14-16

In the New Testament yeast is usually a symbol for (evil) or (corruption)

The yeast of the Pharisees is their (religious traditions) they used to
(invalidate) parts of God's Word that they didn't like

Legalists substitute (outward acts or words) for proper (inner attitudes) that
reflect a (transformed) life

(Conformity) becomes the new standard and (pride) can easily take root

Luke 18:10-14

- 10 "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.
- 11 The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people--robbers, evildoers, adulterers--or even like this tax collector.
- 12 I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.'
- 13 "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.'
- 14 "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Jesus contrasts the prayers of the (best) and the (worst)

Mark 7:9-13

- 9 And he continued, "You have a fine way of setting aside the commands of God in order to observe your own traditions!
- 10 For Moses said, 'Honor your father and mother,' and, 'Anyone who curses their father or mother is to be put to death.'
- 11 But you say that if anyone declares that what might have been used to help their father or mother is Corban (that is, devoted to God)--
- 12 then you no longer let them do anything for their father or mother.
- 13 Thus you nullify the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And you do many things like that."

Read Mark 8:17-21

What we have to give can never match the (size) of the (need). Only God can (fill in) the (gap)