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GOD'S MATH

$5 + 2 = 5,000$

I. See the PROBLEM CLEARLY.

*"...This is a **remote** place, and it's already getting **late**. Send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves."* Matthew 14:15 (NLT)

The disciples saw the problem clearly and offered a reasonable solution...it just wasn't the solution that Jesus had in mind. Jesus didn't do miracles to show off. He did miracles to meet a practical need and teach a greater spiritual truth.

Change Strategy

Where are we? (**assessment**)

Where do we want to go? (**vision**)

How do we get there? (**strategy and application**)

Example: "Why is there so much yelling in our house?"

II. Go to GOD FOR HELP.

"Late in the afternoon His disciples came to Him and said, 'This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away...'" Mark 6:35-36a (NLT)

III. ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY to be part of the solution.

"But Jesus said, 'You feed them'." Mark 6:37 (NLT)

IV. DO WHAT YOU CAN DO in cooperation with God.

*"How much bread do you have?' He asked. 'Go and **find out**.' They came back and reported, 'We have **five** loaves of bread and **two** fish.'" Mark 6:38 (NLT)*