Good News part 1

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Discussion

Read John 6:5-9 / 25-35 / 40 / 60-69

Icebreaker: When is a time you've been misunderstood or misunderstood someone else?

In John 6, people misunderstood JESUS and his ministry. They certainly recognized that he was a great man with great power to fulfill their physical needs. However, they missed the depth of his significance as eternal food for their souls.

- 1. What in this weeks message and passage stood out to you? What caught your attention?
- 2. The foundation for feeding the 5,000 people is revealed in John 6:5-7. There, Jesus focuses his disciples attention on "where" provision comes from. But, they are focused on "how" they'll have enough provision, in this case food to feed thousands. Why do you think Jesus wanted them focused on the "where"?
- 3. Do you have a propensity to think about *where/who* will provide for you when you face a challenge or are you typically more focused on *how* that will help you overcome a challenging situation?
- 4. After reading John 6, what could the crowd not comprehend about Jesus' statement, "I am the bread of life?" Have you ever felt like you couldn't understand what God was trying to say? What did you do about?
- 5. The Disciples resolve to not leave Jesus when everyone else did. What can we learn from them? (See John 6:60-69)

Next Step

This week take action by writing down the word, "Where?" on a small card. Place that card wherever you'll be able to see it daily. (In your car, on the fridge, the bathroom mirror, etc...)

Here's the point: Jesus wanted us to focus on where our provision comes from. Use a small physical reminder to stay focused on the right thing.

Prayer

What pressing needs do you have? How can your group pray for one another this week?