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Pt. 3 - Share Your Lunch

Mk. 6:12 "They went out and preached that people should repent. 13 They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them... 30 The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to Him all they had done and taught. 31 Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, 'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.' 32 So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. 33 But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. 34 When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, He had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So He began teaching them many things."

Jesus' approach:

- 1. Jesus saw the crowd.
- 2. Jesus realized the need.
- 3. The need affected Jesus personally.
- 4. Jesus invested His life in meeting their needs.

Mk. 6:35"By this time it was late in the day, so His disciples came to Him. 'This is a remote place,' they said, 'and it's already very late. ³⁶Send the people away so they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat."

The Disciples' approach:

- 1. They saw the crowd.
- 2. They realized the need.
- 3. They felt overwhelmed by the need.

Mk. 6:37"...He answered, 'You give them something to eat.' They said to him, 'That would take eight months of a man's wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?' 38'How many loaves do you have?' he asked. 'Go and see.'"

Jn. 6:8"...Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, 9'Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish..."

Mk. 6:39 "Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. ⁴¹Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, He gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then He gave them to His disciples to set before the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. ⁴²They all ate and were satisfied, ⁴³and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. ⁴⁴The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand."

In spite of the overwhelming need, Jesus asks, "What do you have?"

Lesson: God wants to use me!