



SESSION TWO

FEEDING OF THE 5000

YES&NO

1. When tragedy personally affects me, I prefer to spend some time alone, and to not be surrounded by people.
2. While someone is going through a time of grief, they should not be expected to tend to the needs of others.
3. I have personally seen God multiply something, and I can't explain it away with a human explanation.
4. God is responsible to make sure that no one goes hungry, ever.
5. God does not give me more blessings than I need.

I JUST NEED MY SPACE:

• READ Matthew 14:13, 14.

- » What had Jesus heard about that caused him to want to withdraw to a solitary place?
- » When you are trying to deal with a death in the family, how do you expect people to treat you? Is it an appropriate time for them to bombard you with their needs and requests? How would you respond if they did?
- » Verse 14 says that Jesus had compassion on them and healed their sick. Knowing Christ's inner desire was to find a place to be alone to process the bad news, what does this say about his character?

NO EASY WAY OUT:

• READ Matthew 14:15, 16.

- » "You give" is a command, not a suggestion. Why do you think that Jesus did not give his disciples any instructions on how to feed the people?

A FAMILIAR MENU:

• READ Matthew 14:17-21.

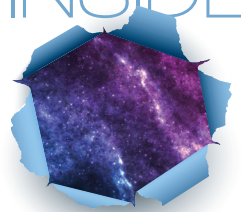
- ° Why do you think the Bible specifies that it was *barley* loaves?

• READ 2 Kings 4:42-44.

- ° What similarities can you list from this story and the Feeding of the 5000?
- ° What do you think Jesus was trying to show the people about God's character with this miraculous feeding?

DIG DEEP

THE
MESSAGE
INSIDE



THE
MIRACLES

INFO-DOODLES

EXAMPLE:

37%

I AM EXPERIENCING GRIEF.

I AM BLESSED.

I HAVE MORE THAN I NEED.

THE GREATEST NEEDS OF THE
PEOPLE OF MY
COMMUNITY ARE:



DRAW A LINE GRAPH:
I HAVE BEEN BLESSED BY GOD...



THE PERFECT AMOUNT OF LEFTOVERS:

- » What do you think Jesus was trying to say by having leftovers? Why do you think that he produced 12 baskets more than needed?

- » What basket of “leftovers” are we holding today?

EMBRACE LIFE**TALK WITH GOD THIS WEEK ABOUT THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

1. What are my deepest emotional needs right now?
2. How have my own needs blinded me from the needs of those around me?
3. What new thing does God need me to know about His character this week?