

There are 35 miracles in the Gospels & only two are in all four - the resurrection and this one; why?

- Sheer size
- Belief

Discussion about Christ being the bread of life

#### John 6:1-4 (English Standard Version)

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>And a large crowd was following Him, because they saw the signs that He was doing on the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat down with His disciples. 4Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand.

- Why is the crowd following Christ? Miracle hunters
- Points out lack of belief
- "Passover was near"
- Christ is everywhere in the Bible and fulfills its principles/promises

#### John 6:5-7 (English Standard Version)

<sup>5</sup> Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward Him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do. 7 Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little."

- The disciples had 2 solutions to the problem 1) Send them away
- 2) Buy food
- A sad commentary on everything that man tries to provide apart from God
- It only gives a little of what we need
- God has total provision
- How often do we think money is the answer?

John 6:6 (English Standard Version) <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do.

- Why is Jesus testing him? How? Isn't this mean?
- Not for Christ's information for Phillip's To grow his faith, not to crush it

#### John 6:7-9 (English Standard Version)

<sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?"

The lies of our flesh can keep us from responding and growing in faith! Jesus knew how He was going to handle it! He has the answer before He asks the question or the problem arises This is too big! 15,000+ people! This isn't worth trying!

- What stands out here? SIZE
- Christ takes little and does much...He's often working that way
- How often we feel inadequate
- He can use your little this week!
  Will you risk and trust Him?

#### John 6:10-12 (English Standard Version)

<sup>10</sup>Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. <sup>11</sup>Jesus then took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>And when they had eaten their fill, He told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost."

Starts where they are and stretches them to expand faith/belief

Uses what they had and multiplied it

Christ took it all - and gave in great bunches for His glory!

#### John 6:13-14 (English Standard Version)

<sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that He had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

- God provides more than enough and that's good news!
- The crowds wanted Jesus without the cross and suffering
- Christ would not be King without heart change and spiritual renewal

#### John 6:15 (English Standard Version)

<sup>15</sup> Perceiving then that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by Himself.

Do you follow because He provides, can change our country, rescues?

He wants to be The Gift and not just the giver

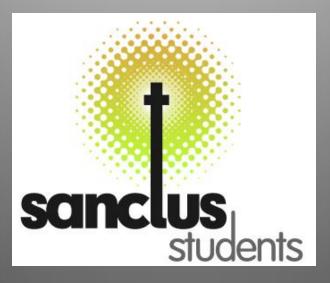
- What is your need?
- Bring it to Christ; He has time, care, power and creativity!
- Will you give Him your little?
- Text me!
- Will you follow Him for life/satisfaction?



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