



THE BOY WHO  
BROUGHT HIS LUNCH

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**1. Am I \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus?**

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*Walk with the wise and become wise; associate with fools and get in trouble. Proverbs 13:20*

**2. Am I \_\_\_\_\_ ?**

**3. Am I \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ what I have?**

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### 2. Am I PREPARED?

### 3. Am I WILLING to GIVE what I have?

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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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#### [CONNECT]

When you go to the grocery store, what is your favorite snack that you love to get but often don't because it's too expensive and maybe not a healthy choice? (i.e. Brand Name ice cream or maybe fancy cheese and crackers)

Has God ever used something you had, that you gave to someone else, to perform a miracle in their life? If you are comfortable, share about that moment.

#### [ENGAGE]

What impacted you the most personally from the message?

#### [GROW]

Take a moment and imagine yourself on a hillside along the sea of Galilee across, just far enough away to observe this miracle unfold. Other passages of scripture tell us that the grass was green, likely from recent rain in the region. Jewish families were preparing for the Passover celebration, and we know that there are around five thousand men. If we assume that many of these men would have been with their spouses and children, it would be possible that there could have been as many as twenty thousand people. All eyes on Jesus, likely had been following Him for several days, likely very hungry and tired.

Read John 6:1-13 as a group out loud together.

- What else comes to mind after imagining yourself sitting and observing this miracle and then reading the passage?
- If you were one of the disciples, do you think you would have responded differently?
- What other passages of scripture come to mind when you reflect on this miracle?
- We are told that Jesus already knew what He was going to do. Why do you think Jesus told Philipp and the disciples to feed the people?

#### [LEAD (YOURSELF)]

Like the boy who brought his lunch, what do you have that Jesus might be able to use? Pause for a moment and pray, ask God to show you what He has entrusted to you and think of ways that you could give those back to Him this week. Maybe God would ask you to take groceries or a meal to a young family. Whether big or small, what are some ways that you can give back to Him with what He has entrusted to you?