

The Heart in Missions: Loving Discipleship

Luke 9: 10- 17

“The Twelve came to Jesus and said, “Send the crowd away” . . . Jesus replied, “You give them something to eat.”” Luke 9: 12, 13

1 Disciples Meet the Hungry World

- Spiritual need to hear truth of who Jesus is.
- Physical needs to see the truth of who Jesus is.

*God uses the impossible situations as the training ground for growing His disciples.

2 The Problem of Pushing Away Problems

- We send away people God loves
- We send away a chance to serve
- We send away a miracle

*God has a plan for our seemingly impossible circumstances.

3 Choices in Making a Miracle

- Compassion vs Personal rest
- Gathering vs Giving up
- Doing something vs Excusing Ourselves

*God takes us to the end of ourselves so that He can give His best.

4 Miraculous Steps of Discipleship to Blessing

- Finding and offering what we have - 5 loaves and 2 fish
- Plan and prepare - the people were seated in groups
- Receive to give – serve the people first
- Don’t waste the leftovers – they are significant

5 Living the Miracle

*A little cheerfully given x Prayer of Thanks = Miraculous Provision

“They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over.” Luke 9: 17