

# Disciple Makers: Empowering to Serve | Mark 6:30-44

Ohana Group Discussion Questions: Week of May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## OVERVIEW

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Jesus gathers his disciples and takes them to a quiet place to reset. Then Jesus directs his disciples to feed the crowds, with only five loaves and two fish and Jesus miraculously feeds five thousand people.

## OHANA TIME!

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**Icebreaker:** Tell a food story! What's the farthest you've gone for a good meal, or what was the hungriest you've been before you had a very satisfying meal? **Or** What's the BIGGEST crowd you've been a part of?

**Activity:** Break up into groups of 3-5 people. Come up with a 1-2 minute skit of an act of kindness! Bonus if it's a story of a mother's kindness!

## PRAYER

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**Pray as a group:** Pray for many disciples to go into the field.

Pray for seasons of rest in Christ. Perhaps someone has a specific area they need the refreshing encouragement of Christ.

Pray for each other's "impossible" tasks that God would show the way through and that He would provide just what they need.

## QUESTIONS: MARK 6:30-44

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1. The disciples came back from ministering 2 by 2 (Mark 6:6-12). Talk about how the disciples must have felt coming back to Jesus. Tell some stories they might have told!
2. What does Jesus invite the disciples to do after hearing about their mission? What would it be like to hear Jesus say that if you were the disciples?
3. What do Jesus and the disciples see when they arrive on the other shore? What is Jesus' reaction? Would you have had the same reaction?
4. How did the disciples respond to Jesus when he asked them to feed the large crowd? How would you have responded?
5. What can we learn from what Jesus does with the five loaves and two fish before He passes them out?
6. The disciples help Jesus seat the people in groups and then distribute food. What do you think the disciples are thinking and feeling as they go through this process (which could have taken a long time)?

## APPLICATION

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1. Jesus demonstrates how resting in God is vital, especially here when he asks the disciples to come away together after they return from ministry. What are some of the ways we can do this daily? What about after seasons of intense work or ministry?
2. God asks the disciples to feed the large crowd. The disciples respond with skepticism and doubt. Is there something God has commanded you to do that feels impossible? What feels impossible about it? Are there practical steps you can take in faith to get there (totally relying on God, with the end goal being complete, loving obedience)?

