**Pastor Demetric Felton Sr October 15, 2023**

**Jesus Is The God Of The Impossible**

Matthew 14:13-21

**Key Truth:** Through the feeding of the 5,000, Jesus shows us that He is the Bread of Life and is worthy of our love, trust, and obedience.

**The Disciples Have A Problem They Can’t Solve:**

1. The apostles recognize that they are inadequate to meet the

 needs of the hungry crowd.

2. Jesus allows this problem to teach the disciples that He is the

 answer to all their problems.

**Little Becomes Much In The Hands Of Jesus:**

1. Jesus does this miracle to demonstrate He is Lord of heaven

 and earth.

2. Jesus does this miracle to demonstrate His compassionate

 care for the lost sheep.

**Jesus Satisfies The Crowd’s Physical Hunger:**

1. This miracle had spiritual implications as well. John 6:25-36

2. Jesus met the crowd’s physical need to also prove He could

 meet their spiritual need. Matthew 4:4

1. Just as the body without food is dead, our spirit without Jesus is dead.

**What Do We Learn:**

1. No problem is too hard for Jesus.

2. Give to Jesus what you have and trust Him to provide.

3. Jesus wants us to view people with compassion and love.

4. The church should be known as people of grace, love, and

 compassion.

**Taking It Beyond The Walls:** Thank God for Jesus Christ who always took the opportunity to serve people. Pray that we would model the heart of Jesus as we go into the communities that God has called us to serve others for Him.

**Connection Group Homework:**

Looking back at your notes, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

What is the last thing you did to serve someone else? Why did you do it?

When is the last time someone served you? How did it make you feel?

Read John 6:22-29: When the crowd found Jesus on the other side of the sea, why do you think they wanted to know when Jesus got there?

What did Jesus reveal about the reason they were looking for Him that they may not have even recognized themselves?

Read 1 Kings 17:8-14: Why do you think the widow questioned Elijah’s instructions? In what circumstances are we tempted to question what God calls us to do?

Why do we tend to trust in our abilities instead of God’s? When have you had difficulty obeying a clear directive from God? How have past experiences with Him helped you be obedient to Him?

What do our actions indicate about our beliefs in God’s promises? How may this reveal our lack of faith? Explain.

What does it look like for someone to love Jesus for who He is, not for what He can give?