

You GIVE THEM something

Mark 6:30-44

1. There are times we want to be left **ALONE**, but God wants us to get **INVOLVED**. (Mark 6:12; John 6:2; Philippians 1:3-5; Colossians 3:17,23; Acts 8:29, 20:35; 1 Peter 2:9, 4:10; Matthew 5:16; Romans 12:11; Ephesians 5:15-16)
2. Wherever we are, Jesus wants us to have compassionate **EYES** peeled for the needing and hurting **HEART**. (Colossians 3:12; Luke 10:30-35; Matthew 9:36-38; Proverbs 19:17, 22:9; Psalm 82:3-4; Hebrews 13:16; Deuteronomy 15:11)
3. Jesus is not always **EFFICIENT**, nor is He always **PRACTICAL** - and we don't have to be either. (Luke 10:38-42; John 6:9, 12:3-5; Mark 4:35-5:20; 1 Corinthians 2:2-5)
4. Regardless of what serving, giving, and going costs us, it is always an **INVESTMENT**. (Luke 12:33-34; Matthew 6:20; 2 Corinthians 9:6; Acts 20:35)
5. Take whatever we have, regardless of the quality or quantity, and **BRING** it to **JESUS**. (Matthew 14:18; Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 9:7)
6. Jesus chooses us to **PARTNER** with Him as a way to **BLESS** others and **GROW** us. (Philippians 1:6; John 6:5-6; Ephesians 2:10; Acts 22:10; Matthew 9:37-38)
7. Trust God. He can do **MORE** than we could ever **IMAGINE**. (Matthew 7:7-11; Ephesians 3:20-21; Romans 8:32; 2 Corinthians 9:8; James 1:5; 1 Timothy 6:17; Psalm 84:11)



Taking it further to help you THRIVE...

THRIVE Groups are where life and growth take place. We don't want to just say "See you next week" as we leave each Sunday - we want to connect!

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1. The disciples needed rest, and Jesus needed rest, but that would come later. Rest is a necessary and good thing (God gives us rest!), but too much of it is not. Spiritually speaking, in what ways is too much rest unhealthy? How can it be counterproductive to advancing the Kingdom of God?
2. Why does God choose to use us to do things He could do much better without us?
3. Why is it sometimes difficult to have compassion on those in need? What causes our hearts to grow cold to those in need? How can we sharpen our compassion?
4. Pastor John shared this excerpt from Henry Van Dyke: "Use what talents you possess; the woods would be very silent if no birds sang there except those that sang best." Share a time when you were hesitant to do something because you felt you were not good enough or that surely someone else could do it better. How does this mentality prevent us from growing? Others from being blessed? God's kingdom from advancing?
5. What is an area at THRIVE God might use you to serve? In what ways (at THRIVE, in the King George community, or beyond) might He be calling you to give, go, serve - and be stretched?