



### **Life Group Questions (John 6:1-21)**

1. The feeding of the 5000 is the only miracle recorded in all 4 gospels. Read the account in each gospel (John 6:1-15 / Mark 6:32-44 / Luke 9:10-17 / Matthew 13:13-21) Compare and contrast each of these accounts. How are they similar? Are there any major differences?
2. The feeding of the 5000 is meant for us to remember how God provided bread in the wilderness. Read Exodus 16:1-18 and compare how God provided for this people in the wilderness to how Jesus performed this miracle. What is the theological message this miracle of Jesus' gives us?
3. In this story, the crowd believes that Jesus is the Prophet who was to come. However, they want to make him king by force. Their idea of a king or a kingdom was violent and militaristic, with the hope being to overthrow Rome. What is the kingdom of God? Read Romans 14:16-19.
4. What are ways you and I can understand or apply the kingdom of God incorrectly? (An under-realized vs. An over-realized kingdom)
5. The crowds only followed Jesus because they saw him healing people and they were getting free meals. What is your motivation for following Jesus? Have you fallen into the trap of wanting "things" from Jesus rather than being satisfied with just him? How do you break out of that?