



DARKNESS TO LIGHT



JOHN  
MIRACLES

## **John 6:1-5**

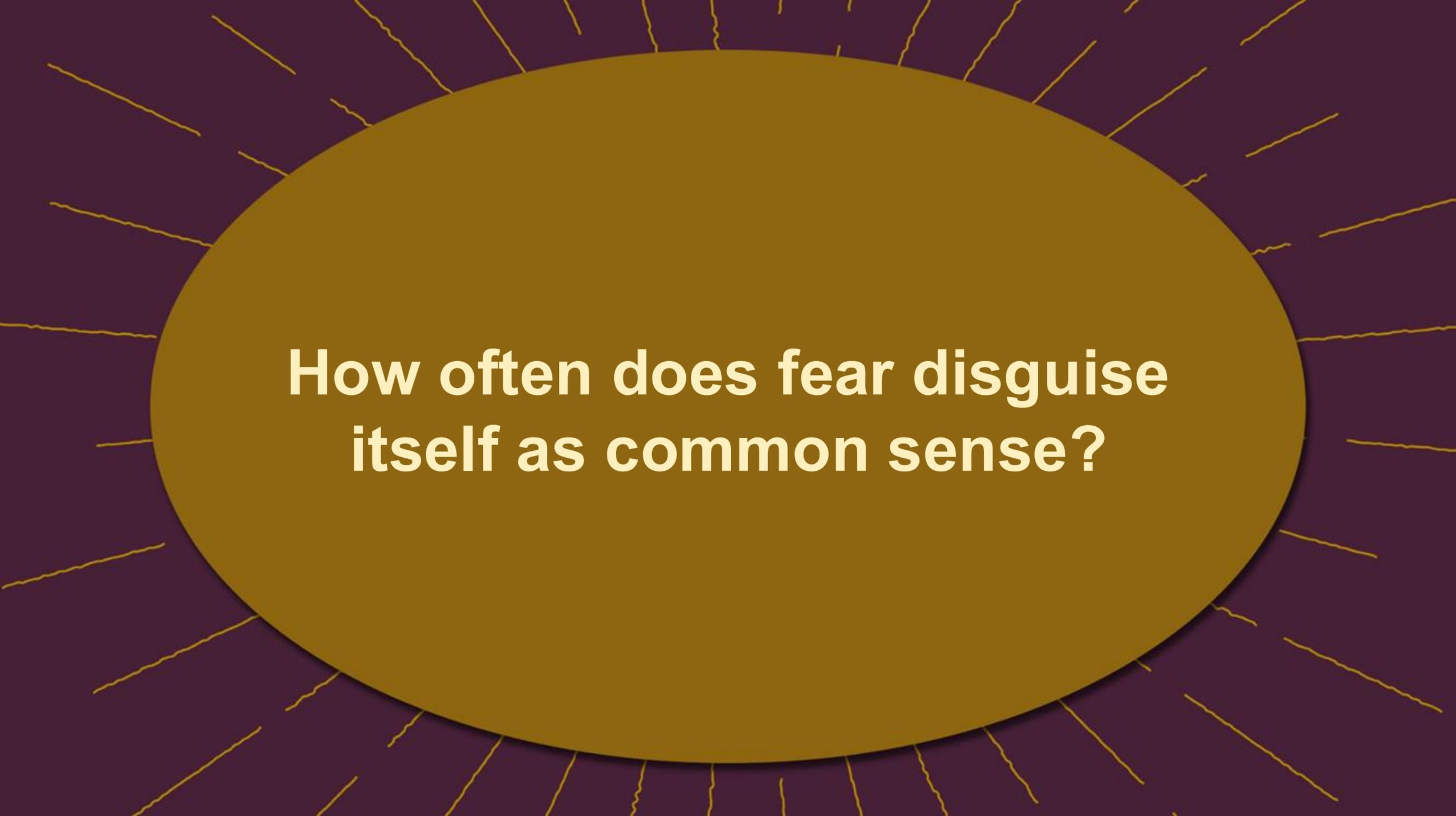
**Jesus crossed over to the far side of the sea of Galilee. A huge crowd kept following him wherever he went, because they saw his miraculous signs as he healed the sick. Then Jesus climbed a hill and sat down with his disciples around him. (It was nearly time for the Jewish Passover celebration.) Jesus soon saw a huge crowd of people coming to look for him.**



## **John 6:5-7**

**Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat? He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. Eight months' wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite.**



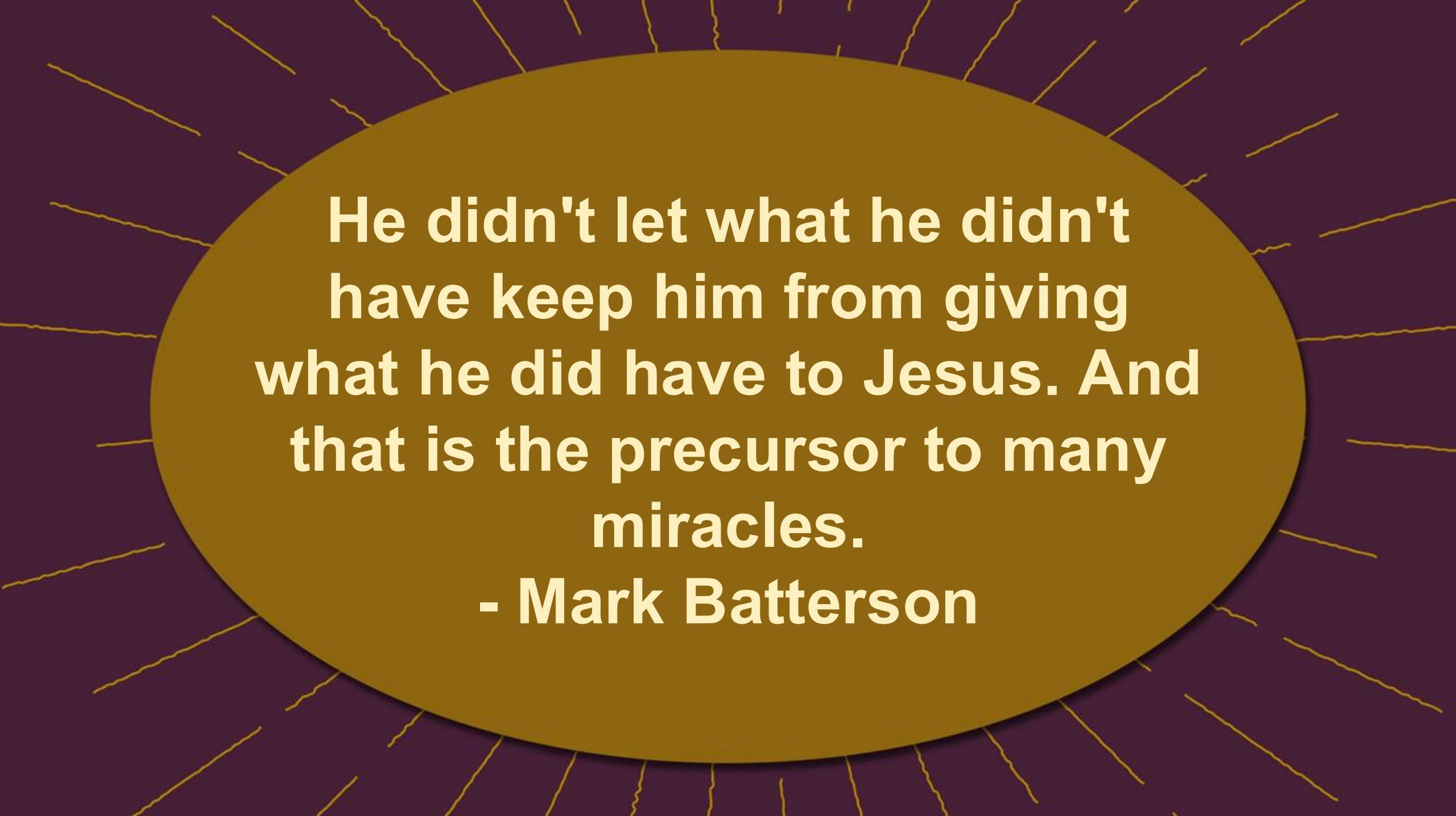


**How often does fear disguise  
itself as common sense?**

## **John 6:8-9**

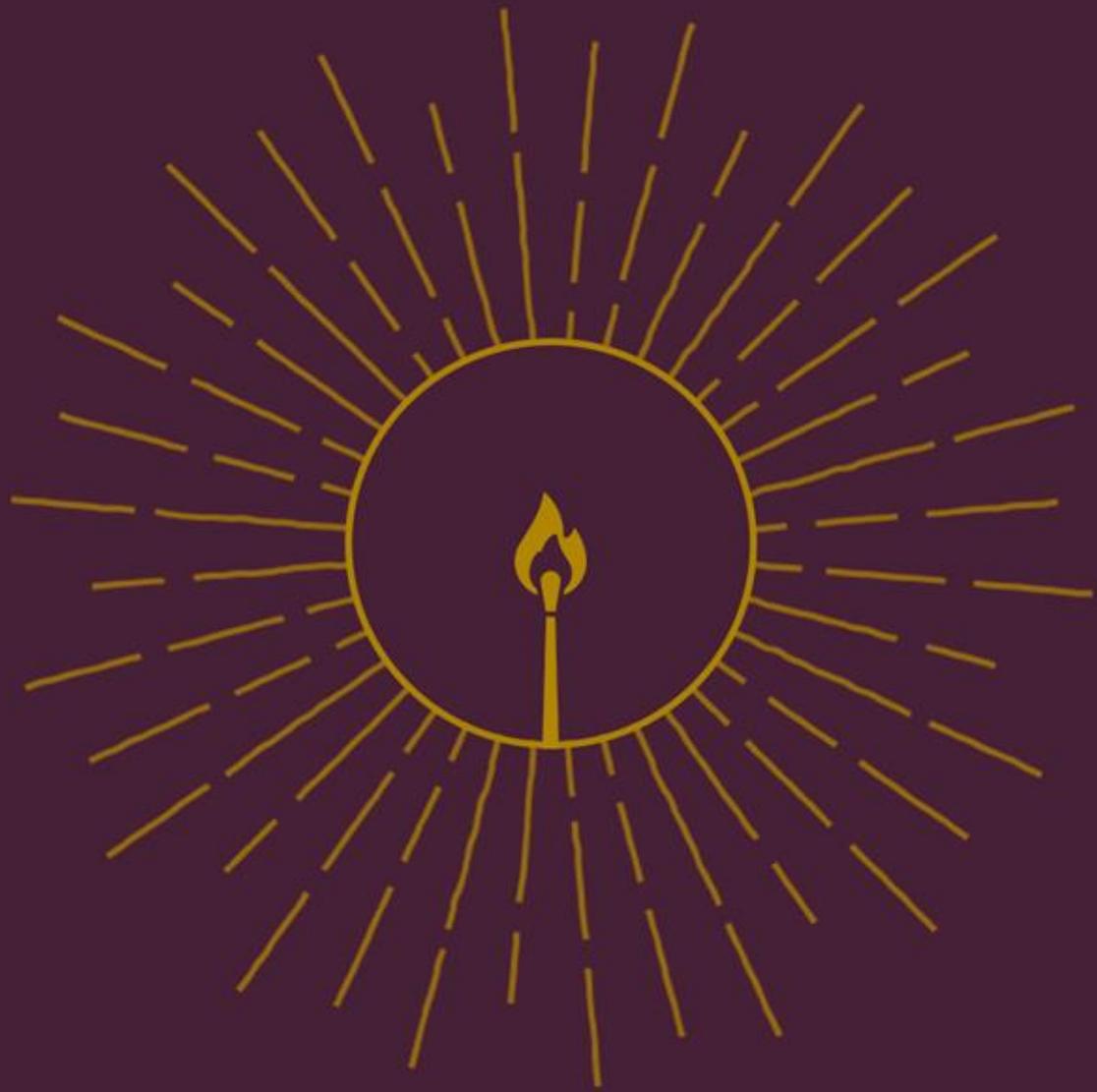
**Then Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up. "There's a young boy here with five barley loaves and two fish. But what good is that with this huge crowd?"**





**He didn't let what he didn't  
have keep him from giving  
what he did have to Jesus. And  
that is the precursor to many  
miracles.**

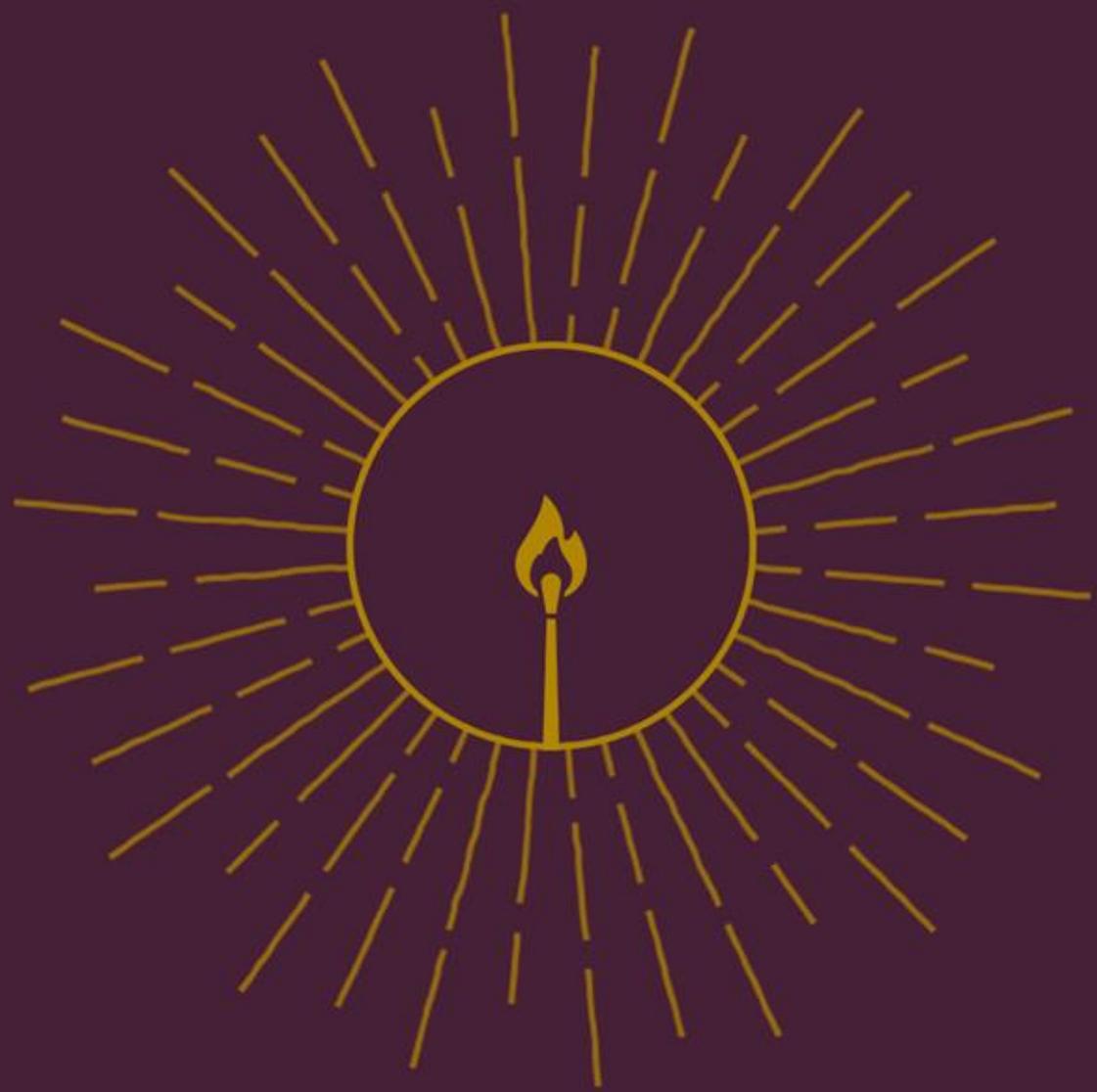
**- Mark Batterson**



## **John 6:1-5**

**Tell everyone to sit down,” Jesus said. So they all sat down on the grassy slopes. (The men alone numbered about 5,000.) Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks to God, and distributed them to the people. Afterward he did the same with the fish. And they all ate as much as they wanted. After everyone was full, Jesus told his disciples, “Now gather the leftovers, so that nothing is wasted.” So they picked up the pieces and filled twelve baskets with scraps left by the people who had eaten from the five barley loaves.**





**Mark Buchanan:**

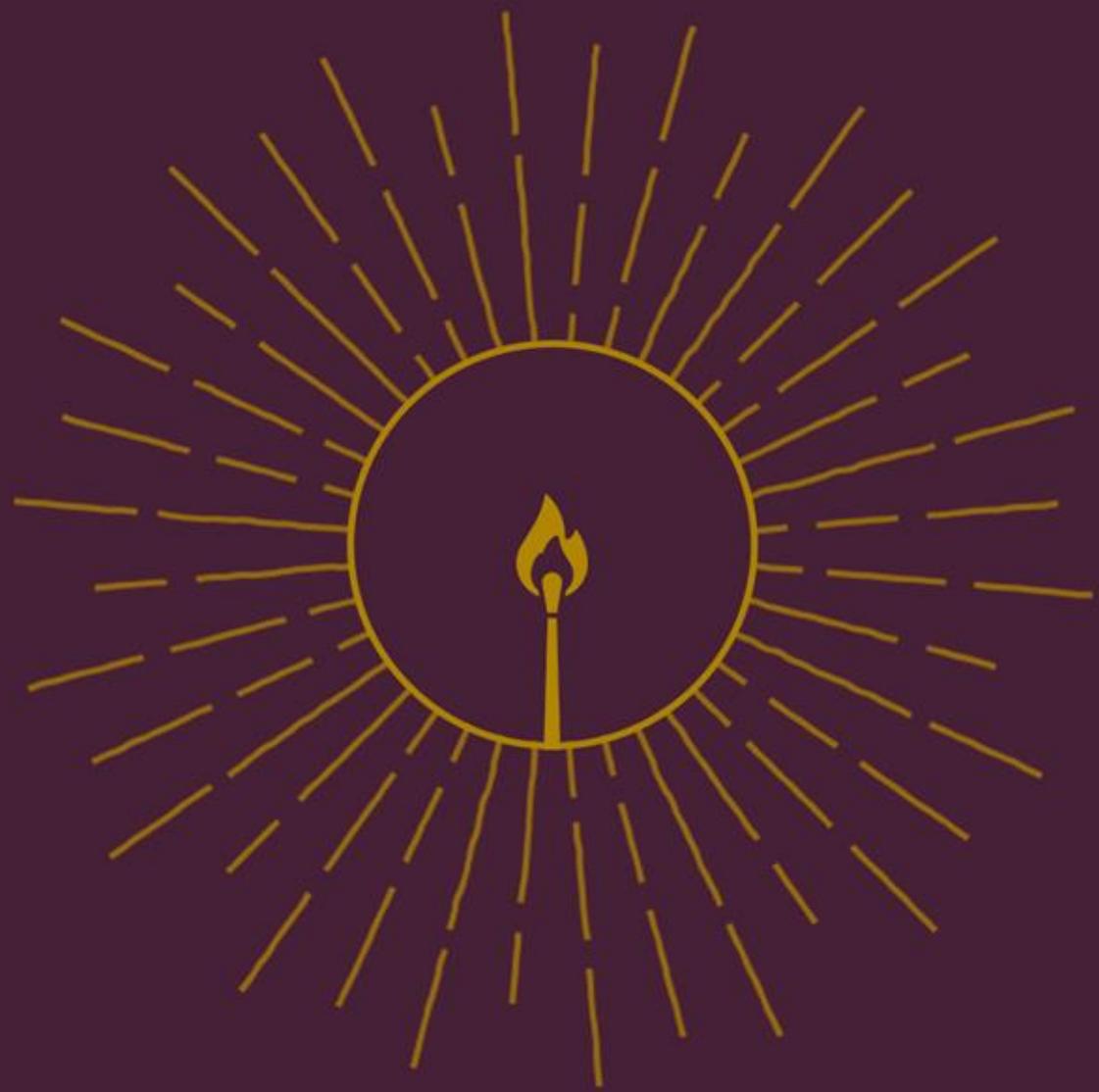
**When we say yes God, no matter what, we find that three things happen. One, everybody gets what they want. The text says that everybody gets as much to eat as they want. Two, nothing gets wasted. That's part of the story. And three, there's more than we need—there's more than enough.**



**Mark Buchanan:**

**Now, the opposite is also true. If you live into the scarcity mentality with resistance to the mission of God because you can't make the math work, or it seems too big, too impossible you will be chronically dissatisfied, you will never have what you want, you will waste a lot, and you will never have enough to go around. I know this is true, because as a pastor, I've had a front row seat on this for 21 years now.**





## Daniel 3:16-18

**If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods.**



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