

## WHAT JESUS CAN DO WITH A HAPPY MEAL

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Believing Into Life, Part 18

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**BIG IDEA:** As we come into continual, intimate contact with Jesus, God's provision & creative power break into our lives.

<sup>4</sup> The Jewish Passover Festival was near.

<sup>5</sup> When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup> He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.

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### 1. Times of crisis **NEVER SURPRISE** Jesus!

No crisis happens where Jesus is not there.

<sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!"

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***Are we going to look at things from a human point of view, or from God's view?*** (2 Cor. 5:16; Josh. 6:1-2)

<sup>8</sup> Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, <sup>9</sup> "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"

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**Bring what you have to Jesus.**

<sup>11</sup> Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

<sup>12</sup> When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." <sup>13</sup> So they gathered them and filled twelve

baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

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**Jesus is the Lord of more than enough.** (John 10:10)

### 2. The One who God sent, who calls you to believe, and follow him, has the creative **POWER TO PROVIDE.**

2 Kings 4:42-44 Elisha, 20 barley loaves & 100 fed.  
Moses & manna (Ex. 16)

Messiah and Prophet (Dt. 18:15-18)

<sup>14</sup> After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." <sup>15</sup> Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

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**In Jesus, God is replacing all they've trusted in.**

By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. <sup>18</sup> A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. <sup>19</sup> When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. <sup>20</sup> But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid." <sup>21</sup> Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading. **John 6:1-21**

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### 3. The One who God sent, the One who calls you to believe and follow him, can **WALK ON WATER**, and defy the normal laws of nature!