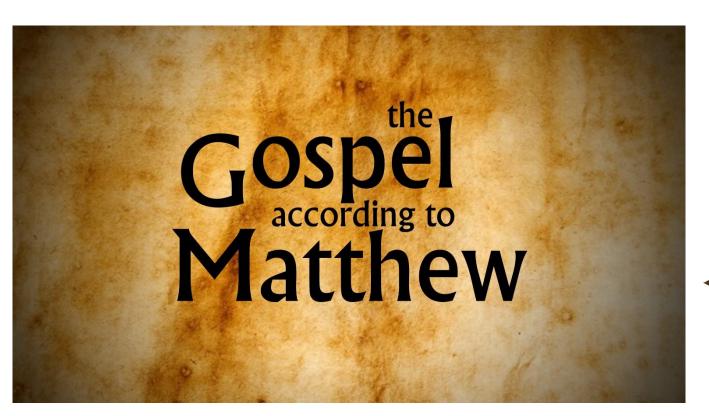
Feeding of the Five Thousand

Matthew 14:13-21





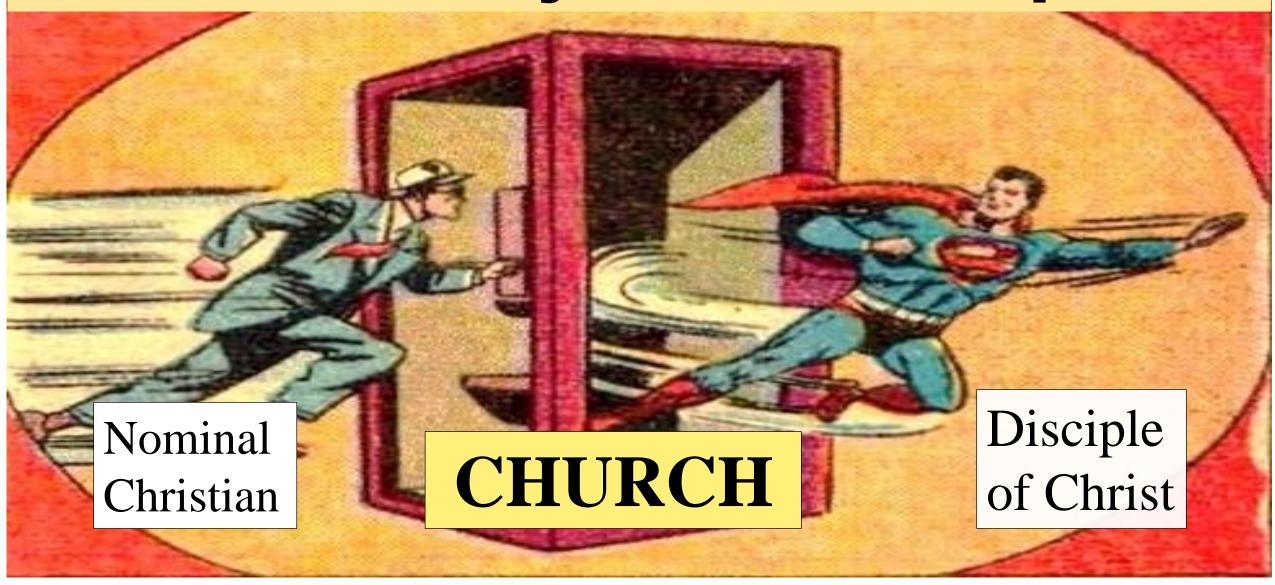
Going Mission with God!

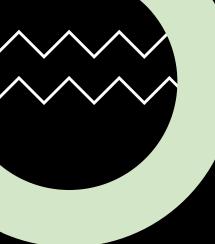


God's Heartbeat: Missions

1 Timothy 2:3-4 This is good and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to understand the truth.

We are Christ's disciples transformed by His Word and Spirit

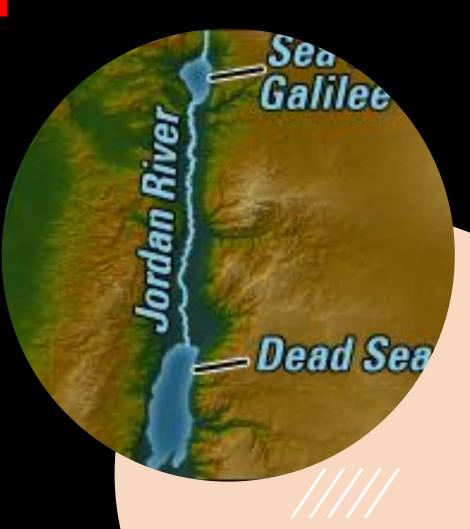




We are a Missional Church

We are the Sea of Galilee We are Alive!

- ·We are saved to save others
- We are blessed to bless other



WE are ALL called to Mission with God





Jesus Needed Solitude

¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed those who were ill.



He Attended to Their Needs

¹⁵ As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so that they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.'

¹⁶ Jesus replied, 'They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.'

His compassion moved him to feed them



The problem was too big!

¹⁷ 'We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,' they answered.

The resources were too little!

There were more than five thousand of them!





He looked to the Father for help

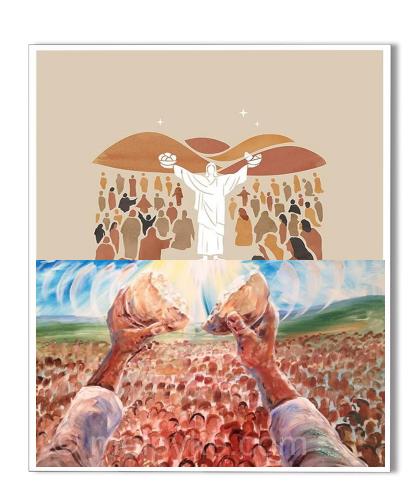
¹⁸ 'Bring them here to me,' he said.

¹⁹ And he told the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves.

He Looked to God

He focused on God not the obstacle

He made use of whatever was available and trust God to provide



He got the disciples to work

Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people.



Everyone was Satisfied

²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over.

²¹ The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

There were more than enough!



Facing a task too big and resources too little?

"You give them something to eat."

What are your five loaves and two fish?





Look to God

Focus on God not ourselves or problem

We have a Big God

See the potential and not the problem



He is God of the How Much More!

Ephesians 3:20-21

²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,

²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.



Focused on the task not the obstacles

Made use of whatever was available and trust God to provide

Start with what we have

"Bring to God what you have"

Offer your five loaves and two fishes

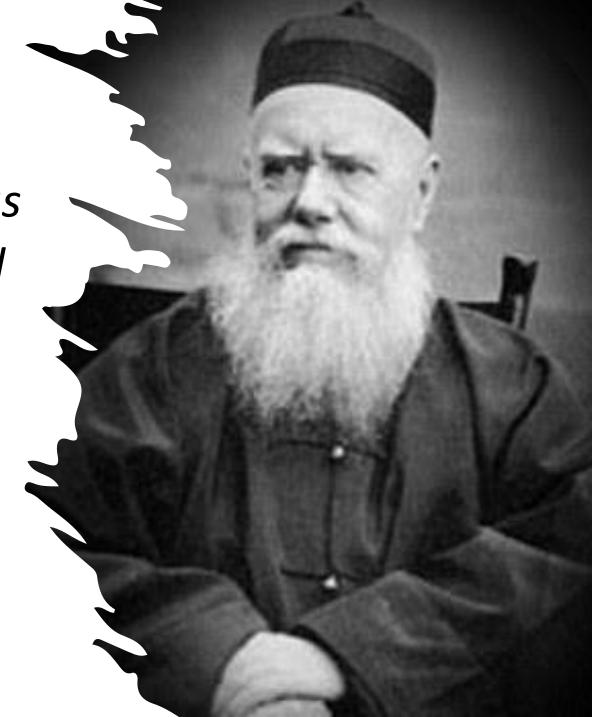
God takes great delight in using small things in a big way!



Hudson Taylor

All God's giants have been weak man who did great things for God because they reckoned on God being with them.

- God's work done in God way will never lack God's supply.
- A little thing is a little thing, but faithfulness in little things is a great thing.





God is the Deliverer. We are His delivery system!

Join God in the Task

Ask what God can do in and through me for His kingdom?

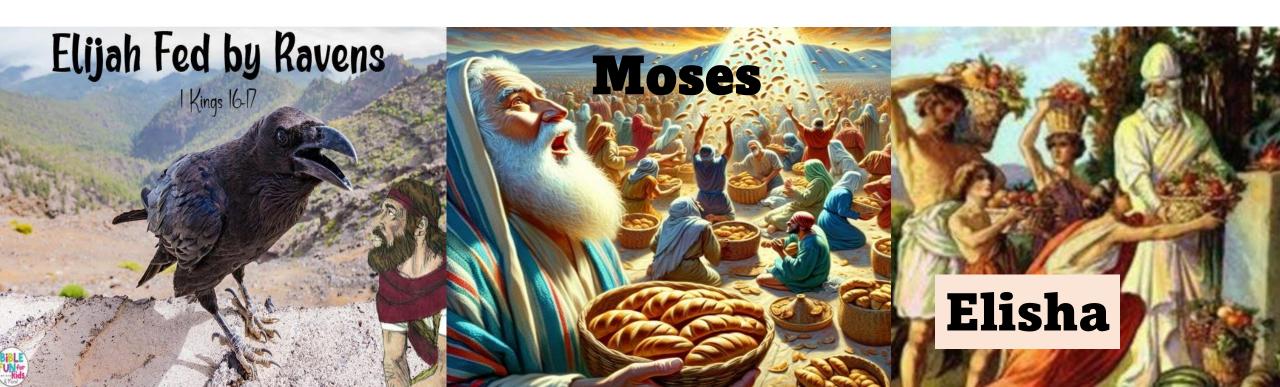
V26 Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill.



Jesus the Messiah King Feeds the 5000

John 6:14

After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, 'Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.'



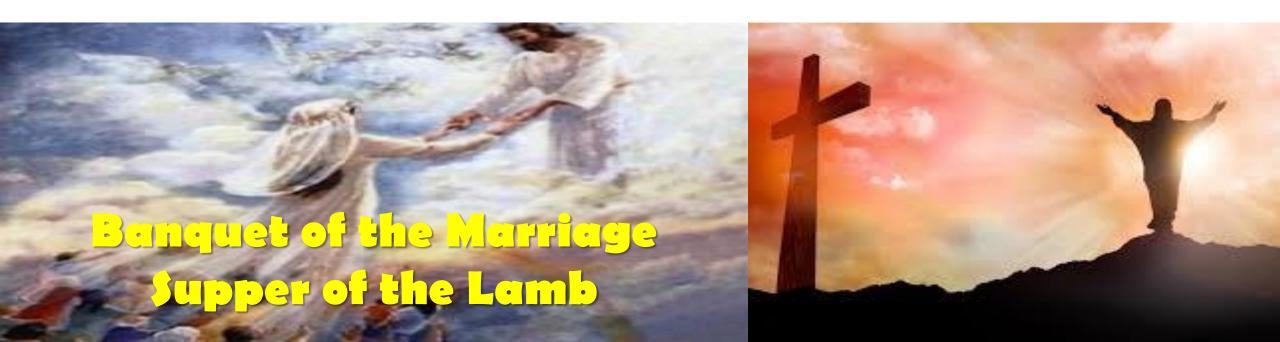
V51 Jesus is the bread of life that truly filled them

I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

This bread is my flesh, which I will give

for the life of the world.'



Going Mission with God!

Be Victorious Kingdom Disciples

GO Share the Bread of Life



