

NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

5,000 men, plus women and children, were hungry. Jesus asked: “Where can we buy bread to feed all these people?” (John 6:1)

Jesus laid down a challenge - the disciples acted. They looked at what they had: a boy with 5 loaves and 2 fish. They gave these to Jesus and he did the rest. The result? Everyone was fed, and there was more than enough to go around!

What if they hadn't acted, thought the task impossible, and gave up?

Can we be like this sometimes? Does the situation seem too big; can our actions really change things? If we use what we have and put our trust in God, perhaps we can do the impossible too?

Jesus talks a lot about bread. He teaches us to pray: “give us this day our daily bread...” He says “I am the bread of life”

Bread is important for life. Some of us have lots of physical bread (food), others have none, yet there is enough to go around. This is where we need to act, to see what we have and to use it to make sure others have physical daily bread too.

When Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a colt the people shouted praises. The initial response was ignited by their expectations of a conquering messiah who would defeat the Romans and rule as King. Soon after, their hearts were changed.

God's ways are not like ours, and God doesn't do things as we expect them. This week we remember Jesus' death. This is not the end. Jesus did defeat the enemy and is alive today!

We too can show initial positive responses, but we need dedication and commitment to do the things God requires us to do.

Many people live only on physical bread, but have none of the spiritual bread that Jesus talks about. Jesus says: "The Scriptures say, 'People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" (Mathew 4:4)

Jesus later said: "I tell you the truth, you want to be with me because I fed you, not because you understood the miraculous signs. But don't be so concerned about perishable things like food. Spend your energy seeking the eternal life that the Son of Man can give you. For God the Father has given me the seal of his approval."

This Easter time remember to seek The Bread of Life that lasts forever and please pray for and help those who have no daily physical or spiritual bread.

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