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Message Series "Signs"

"More than Enough"

John 6:1-14

¹ After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias.² And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. ³ Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. ⁵ Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do.⁷ Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him. ⁹ "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number.¹¹ Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

(also Matthew 14:13-21, Mark 6:30-44, Luke 9:10-17)

More than Enough (Four truths about God's economy)

1. There's no ______.

"A large crowd...a remote place...nothing to eat." (Mark 6:34-36, NIV)

2. There's no ______.

"Jesus said...'Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?"" (v. 5)

"He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do." (v. 6)

"But he answered them, 'You give them something to eat!"" (Mark 6:37)

Common reactions to problems we face:

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3. There's no

"And he said to them, 'How many loaves do you have? Go and see.' And when they had found out, they said, 'Five, and two fish.'" (Mark 6:38)

The little boy gave:

"Andrew said, '...how far will this go among us?"" (v. 9, NIV)

4. There's no

"...they all had enough to eat." (v. 12)

"So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten." (v. 13)

*What's the "sign-ificance" of this miracle? (John 6:25-51)

"Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst." (John 6:35)