

# Sermon Notes

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## God Provides

Matthew 14:13-21

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**Text sermon questions, during the sermon, to (602) 824-8030**

Jesus wanted to get away, but the crowds chased Him

His compassion moved him to minister to the people

**What can we learn from Jesus here?**

The disciples suggested sending the people away to get food

It was an isolated place = wilderness (ref.: Exodus 16)

God has provided bread in the wilderness before

Jesus told them, "You must give them something to eat."

This is reminiscent of what God had done before,  
Elijah & Elisha (ref.: 1 Kings 17:11-16, 2 Kings 4:42-44)

Jesus did what God had done before, multiplied the  
resources to feed a large group with bread

He told the people to "recline"

The banquet in Jesus' kingdom (Ref.: Matt. 8:11, Luke 22:29-30)

**As the disciples passed out the bread, God's provision for the  
people's physical need, we are all supposed to pass out the good  
news of Jesus, God's provision for everyone's spiritual need**

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What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

**Application questions for 3/2 sermon**  
**Matthew 14:13-21**

What do you think this event of Jesus multiplying the bread says about who He is?

Do the connections between this event and the events in Israel's history (manna in the desert, Elijah & Elisha multiplying the resources) make what Jesus did more meaningful to you? Why?

At what level do you think you have eyes like Jesus, that see people's needs, and His compassion to want to help them?

Do you see all the non-Christians around you as desperately spiritually needy?

Do you have compassion to want to bring them what they need, Jesus?

Are you willing to be interrupted, inconvenienced, to stop and talk to the people around you?

Do you see it as a privilege to pass out the gospel of Jesus (that can lead people to eternal life)?

If not, do you think that perspective needs to change? How might that happen?

**Bonus:**

Was there anything new or interesting you learned in this sermon?