

IV. **TRUST** GOD TO MEET YOUR NEEDS (6:11b-13)

“Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me?”
Jeremiah 32:27

“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.”
James 1:17

“For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly.”
Psalm 84:11

V. **ACKNOWLEDGE** JESUS WHEN YOUR NEEDS ARE MET (6:14)

*“13 And they lifted up their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!”
14 So when He saw them, He said to them, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed.
15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, 16 and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan.
17 So Jesus answered and said, “Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine?
18 Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?”
19 And He said to him, “Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well.”*
Luke 17:13-19

ASK JESUS TO MEET YOUR NEEDS

THIS IS JESUS
Jesus Meets My Needs
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INTRODUCTION

- A. All your life you’ve wondered about Jesus. Who is He really? This Is Jesus will bring you face to face with the real Jesus. You will find the answer to Jesus’ question...

“He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Matthew 16:15

Nothing is more important than knowing the correct answer to this question and how Jesus relates to your life. It impacts the quality of your life and where you will spend eternity.

- B. This series will make deep theological topics of Jesus’ life understandable and applicable. Come and you will discover how Jesus helps US in our everyday lives! The messages include:

Feb 23 Jesus Forgives My Sin
Mar 1 Jesus Understands My Temptations
TODAY Jesus Meets My Needs
Mar 15 Jesus Calms My Fears
Mar 22 Jesus Heals My Sickness
Mar 29 Jesus Desires My Obedience
Apr 5 Jesus Secures My Eternity

- C. **TEXT:** John 6:1-14 (Pew Bible/Page1047/New Test.)

- We serve a **miracle** working God.
- The Feeding Of The 5,000 is the **only** miracle that is found in **all** four gospels (Matthew 14:13-21; Mark 6:30-44; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-14).
- We love this miracle because Jesus uses a **kid**.

JESUS MEETS MY NEEDS

I. GOD USES NEEDS TO **TEST** YOUR FAITH (6:1-7)

Jesus didn't do miracles without a purpose behind them. He didn't do miracles just to impress, but to grow faith.

The purpose of this miracle was to develop the **faith** of the disciples when it came to meeting their needs (v 6).

"But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him." Hebrews 11:6

II. ALLOW GOD TO USE **YOU** TO MEET NEEDS (6:8-9)

A. The little boy gave **what** he had and **all** he had.

Three observations about the boy's faith and commitment:

1. He gave it **willingly**.

"Take from among you an offering to the LORD. Whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it as an offering to the LORD: gold, silver, and bronze;" Exodus 35:5

2. He gave **cheerfully**.

*"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of **in** necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver."* II Corinthians 9:7

3. He gave it **immediately**.

"His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it." John 2:5

B. The highest level of giving is **sacrificial** giving when you give up something and trust God to be your source.

"Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38

C. Why is it so hard to give up "your lunch"?

1. When you have your needs met, it is hard to care about **others**.
2. It doesn't make sense, from a human point of **view**.

My Gift

I have not much to offer
To Christ, my Lord and King?
No wealth, No might, No wisdom,
No noble gift to bring.
"Five loaves and two small fishes?"
Not much, dear heart, 'tis true;
But yield them to the Master
And see what He can do!
Placed in His hands of mercy,
Thy little will be much.
'tis not thy gift that matters,
But His almighty touch!

Avis B. Christiansen

III. REMAIN **THANKFUL** TO GOD IN YOUR TIME OF NEED (6:10-11a)

"in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." I Thessalonians 5:18

"giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ," Ephesians 5:20