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DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Read aloud Matthew 14:13-21; Mark 6:30-44; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-15. Now compare and paint the story from all the different perspectives of all of the different accounts of the feeding of the 5000.

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- Read Matthew 14:13-21. What was Jesus' response to hearing about John's death? (See also Mark 6:30-33) How many people had come to this lonely place to see Jesus? Why do you think they followed Jesus to the other side of lake?
- How does Jesus challenged the disciples to have faith and to have compassion for the needs of others? (Matt. 14:16-21)
- Read Matt. 14:13-14. Pastor Larry in his message points to how this passage demonstrates how Jesus cares for the people with actual compassion and love. Now read Matt. 14:15. How does the disciples' response to the crowds differ?
- Reflect on a time in your life when you really desired to know the Lord's presence with you more than anything else. How did the Lord respond? How does the Lord continue to nourish you?
- Pastor Larry in his message and asks us two important questions. First, Jesus feeds these thousands of people, but he feeds them through whom? Second, if you want to be disciples of Jesus, are you becoming like him in the context of his compassion?

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