



Are You Enough?

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Mark 6:30-44 (NIV)

*And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power. **1 Corinthians 2:1-5 (NIV)***

After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

John 6:14-15 (NIV)

*Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves... **Mark 6:41A (NIV)***

*While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body." **Mark 14:22 (NIV)***

Reflection Questions:

- 1)** Have you ever been in a situation where you wondered if you had what it takes? Where you wondered if you were enough? Share that experience. How did you respond?
- 2)** Have you ever sensed God leading you in a direction where you questioned if you were enough? How did you respond to that circumstance?
- 3)** Why can it be easier to see the horizontal view (life and circumstances and challenges) and not the vertical view (an opportunity for Jesus to grow our faith)?
- 4)** Jesus came to start a revolution but not a military or political revolution. What are the characteristics of Jesus' revolution?
- 5)** Jesus responded to the needs of the people with bread. The bread of the Word (he began to teach) AND physical bread. What does this example mean for us? Are peoples' "felt needs" sometimes different from what they really need? How can you determine what are the real needs of the people to whom you shepherd?
- 6)** How have you observed Jesus stretching you in your faith recently? How did you respond or how will you respond?
- 7)** Have you ever known of a situation where the resources and manpower were clearly inadequate to complete the ministry task that God had unquestionably assigned? What happened?