

Christian Students Association Bible Study

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JOHN CHAPTER 6

5. The Need of the Hungry — Life's Feeding (6:1-71)

a. The Hungry World and the Feeding Christ (vv. 1-15)

- 1** After these things Jesus went away across the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias.
- 2** And a great crowd followed Him, because they saw the signs which He did on those who were sick.
- 3** And Jesus went up to the mountain and sat there with His disciples.
- 4** Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was near.
- 5** Jesus then lifting up His eyes and seeing that a great crowd was coming toward Him, said to Philip, Where shall we buy bread that these may eat?
- 6** But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He was about to do.
- 7** Philip answered Him, Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that each one may take a little.
- 8** One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him,
- 9** There is a little boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what are these for so many?
- 10** Jesus said, Have the people recline. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men reclined, in number about five thousand.
- 11** Jesus then took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed to those who were reclining; likewise also of the fish, as much as they wanted.
- 12** And when they were filled, He said to His disciples, Gather the broken pieces left over that nothing may be lost.
- 13** So they gathered them and filled twelve handbaskets with broken pieces from the five barley loaves which were left over among those who had eaten.
- 14** The people therefore, seeing the sign which He did, said, This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world.
- 15** Then Jesus, knowing that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him King, withdrew again to the mountain, Himself alone.

b. The Troubled World and the Peace-giving Christ (vv. 16-21)

- 16** And when evening fell, His disciples went down to the sea,
- 17** And they got into a boat and began crossing the sea to Capernaum. And it had already become dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them.
- 18** And because a strong wind was blowing, the sea was churning.
- 19** Then, when they had rowed about twenty-five or thirty stadia, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they became frightened.
- 20** But He said to them, It is I. Do not be afraid.

21 Then they were willing to take Him into the boat; and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going.

QUESTIONS

- 1) Physical locations have a prominent place in these verses. What is the significance of the locations mentioned?
- 2) In verse 5, Jesus posed a test to Philip. What was this test?
- 3) In verse 21, His frightened disciples were willing to take Him into the boat. What is the spiritual significance here?