

Today's passage is about the fourth sign of Jesus in the Gospel of John, the event of feeding the five thousand. I pray in the name of the Lord that through the sign in today's passage, we will come to know that Jesus is the Son of God, the Christ, and understand what kind of God we believe in through Jesus.

First, Jesus knows our needs and responds (verses 5-7).

Jesus knew that the large crowd was hungry. Most of the people had skipped lunch, and by the time the sun was setting, they still hadn't eaten dinner. Jesus knew exactly what they needed. He asked Philip how to feed these people, putting their needs first.

He also knew what was lacking in Philip's faith, that is, what was needed for true faith. Therefore, in verse 6, it says, "He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do." God's tests reveal our shortcomings and aim to fill them.

Jesus shows that He knows the needs of our lives accurately and that He is already preparing to meet our needs even before we ask. He knows my needs. He is the God who knows what is lacking in my life right now.

Second, Jesus uses our small offerings (verses 9-11).

Andrew brought to Jesus five barley loaves and two fish from a boy. What could be so significant about the five loaves and two fish a small boy brought? A child's meal is far too little to satisfy even one adult. In the eyes of the disciples, the boy's five barley loaves and two fish were insignificant.

Jesus, being God, could have made bread from stones. I might have said, "No need for the boy's lunch. It's not necessary. What can we do with this?" But Jesus accepted the fish and loaves. He took what the child offered. It's a bit unusual, right? But God takes our small offerings and blesses them, delighting in using them greatly.

Often, what we have may seem too small and insignificant in our own eyes. However, God sees what we cannot. No matter how small or insignificant something may seem, when the Lord blesses and uses it, it becomes the seed of a miracle that feeds thousands.

Third, Jesus fills us abundantly (verses 12-13).

God is a God of abundance (John 10:10, Philippians 4:19). At the center of this abundant grace is Jesus Christ. After this passage, in John 6:48, Jesus said, "I am the bread of life." Jesus is the true Passover bread, the one who gives us life and fills our lives abundantly. Jesus gave Himself. He gave everything. Where else can we find such abundant grace?

God is the one who fills us beyond what we ask or imagine. I hope you will look to Jesus, the God who abundantly fills our lives and truly satisfies us. God is a God of abundance. He abundantly provides, gives abundant grace, and offers us abundant life.

**Bible
Memorization**

A VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:19)

**Bible
Reading**

10/14(Mon)	10/15(Tue)	10/16(Wed)	10/17(Thur)	10/18(Fri)	10/19(Sat)	10/20(Sun)
Matthew 7-9	Matthew 10-12	Matthew 13-15	Matthew 16-18	Matthew 19-21	Matthew 22-24	Matthew 25-26

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Quiet Time Passage

10/14(Mon)	10/15(Tue)	10/16(Wed)	10/17(Thur)	10/18(Fri)	10/19(Sat)	10/20(Sun)
Hosea 11:1-11	Hosea 11:12-12:14	Hosea 13:1-16	Hosea 14:1-9	Galatians 1:1-10	Galatians 1:11-24	Galatians 2:1-10

**Sharing
Questions**

1. What blessings do I experience when I believe that God knows my needs well? How can I apply this specifically in my life?

2. Reflect on something small that I can offer, believing that God will use it greatly, and share it.

3. Share about an experience in your life where you witnessed the abundant provision of God (the God who fills abundantly).