

**Believe and Have Life***The Gospel of John***John 6:1–21****Read John 6:1–15 and Mark 6:34–44.**

1. Why is the crowd following Jesus? (v. 2)
  
2. How does Jesus see the crowd that approaches him? (v. 5; Mk. 6:34; Lk. 9:11)
  
3. Jesus “already had in mind what he was going to do” (v. 6) to provide for the hungry crowd.
  - a. Why does he question Philip? (v. 6)
  
  - b. What do Jesus’ question and Philip’s response make clear about their situation? (vv. 5, 7)
  
  - c. What do you think Jesus wants Philip and the other disciples to understand about his power to care for the crowd?
  
4. Read Deuteronomy 18:15–18.
  - a. What is it about the feeding of the 5,000 that makes the people think that Jesus is “the Prophet who is to come into the world” (v. 14)? (Ex. 16:4–8)
  
  - b. Are the people right in thinking that Jesus is the Prophet?
  
  - c. What do they want to do? (v. 15)

5. What do they not understand about Jesus? (1:1; 5:19; Mt. 20:28)

6. Why does Jesus withdraw instead of reveal himself as the king he is? (7:3–6; 18:36)

**Read John 6:16–21.**

7. Jesus' disciples leave for Capernaum by boat without him.

a. What are the conditions on the lake? (vv. 17b–19a)

b. How does Jesus join his disciples in the boat? (v. 19b)

c. How does Jesus respond to the disciples' fear?

8. What do Jesus' control over the water and his concern for his disciples say about who he is? (Ex. 14:21–22; Job 9:8; Ps. 77:16–20; Is. 43:1–3a)

9. The crowd needed food and Jesus miraculously fed them. The disciples were terrified and Jesus calmed their fears. More than that, Jesus sought to reveal himself to them. Describe a particular circumstance in which God revealed himself to you.