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JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 9:10-17

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JESUS IS MORE THAN ENOUGH

When we talk about Jesus Being More than Enough,

What is it that we're talking about?

How is Jesus more than enough? When is Jesus more than enough?

and where is Jesus Enough?

And why is it important that I have a Savior, a God, a King that is greater than anything or anyone else?

You Cannot Read the Bible without Coming to the Conclusion That "The Jesus Christ of the Bible" was Sent to us by God the Father, Who Did Minister, and He Did Announce to the World - the Direction of Heaven

The Jesus Christ of the Bible;

Is All That You or I or This World Could Ever Need And the more we understand and learn of Him, the more we want from Him...

Summed Up In One Word;

It's "Sufficiency"

More than **adequate**. More than **satisfactory**. More than **competent**. More than capable.

Luke 9:10-17

And the apostles, when they had returned, told Him all that they had done. Then He took them and went aside privately into a deserted place belonging to the city called Bethsaida. :11 But when the multitudes knew *it*, they followed Him; and He received them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who had need of healing. :12 When the day began to wear away, the twelve came and said to Him, "Send the multitude away, that they may go into the surrounding towns and country, and lodge and get provisions; for we are in a deserted place here." :13 But He said to them, "You give them something to eat." And they said, "We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we go and buy food for all these people." :14 For there were about five thousand men. Then He said to His disciples, "Make them sit down in groups of fifty." :15 And they did so, and made them all sit down. :16 Then He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke *them*, and gave *them* to the disciples to set before the multitude. :17 So they all ate and were filled, and twelve baskets of the leftover fragments were taken up by them.

JESUS IS MORE THAN ENOUGH

1.) Jesus meets my every concern

v.10-11

1a.) The concern of life having a purpose v.10

And the apostles, when they **had returned**, told Him all that *they* **had done**. Then He took them and went aside privately into a deserted place belonging to the city called Bethsaida.

Mark 6:31

And He said to them, "Come aside by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." For there were many coming and going, and they did not even have time to eat.

G. Campbell Morgan

"There are times in Ministry when you can get - "Peopled to Death"

What Was in Jesus' Training Manual That called these men away from the flow on ministry?

- 1. It could have been that **they were tired** I'm sure they were.
- 2. It could have been that **they were in need of more training** surely.
- 3. It could have been that **they tasted of success** and liked it

Setbacks and disappointments can hurt, But success can kill a man.

Success almost killed Abraham,

It Almost Killed Moses, Elijah, Jonah, & Peter,

JESUS MEETS MY EVERY CONCERN

1b.) The concern of reaching a lost world

v.11

But when the multitudes knew *it*, they followed Him; and He **received** them and **spoke** to them about the kingdom of God, and **healed** those who had need of healing.

Mark 6:32-33

So they departed to a deserted place in the boat by themselves. :33 But the multitudes saw them departing, and many knew Him and ran there on foot from all the cities. They arrived before them and came together to Him.

Hi, Shalom - Hey, What Took You Guys?

Anyway, as I was saying...

There Are Times - Mom, Dad, Boss, Teacher, Doctor, Nurse...

When we need to get away with Jesus. We need to be recharged in the Lord

He Received Them

He made them to feel welcome, to be at home, to be at ease (He immediately created an atmosphere for what He was about to do)

He Spoke To Them

That is, He spoke at Length to Them. He Spoke a Long Time. (He Expounded, Illustrated, and Reasoned with Them)

When Jesus 'Spoke of the Kingdom"

>>>> What was it that He'd say? <<<<<

Whatever **Parable** or **Illustration** He Used, Whatever he **Taught** on or the **Message** He gave, Jesus would have Gotten to The Point, He would always be to Close the Deal.

Christian,

If There's One Thing That You Had to Say, If You Only Had a Few Minutes Left...

You would want to speak to them about the kingdom of God

John 3:3,5-7

"Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is **born again**, he cannot see the kingdom of God.":5 "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

:7 Do not marvel that I said to you, "You must be **born again**."

He Healed Them

After He had talked about it, He did it.

So What's The "How, What, When, Where and Why" For Our Lives?

JESUS IS MORE THAN ENOUGH

2.) Even when I can't see a way out

v.12-14

2a.) Look for God to be in your midst

v.12

Now when the day **began to wear away**, the twelve came and said to Him, "Send the multitude away, that they may go into the surrounding towns and country, and lodge and get provisions; for we are in a deserted place here."

"Now when the day began to wear away,"

Mark Tells Us That It Was Springtime Mark 6:39 He made them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. (Spring grass or fresh grass)

The Shadows were Lengthening and Evening was Approaching. (Somewhere between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.)

the time to shop had passed. The people were depending upon Jesus to do something knowing that the day was now spent.

But There's More Than The Day That is Wearing...

The Disciples Commit a Spiritual Crime in Their Frustration.

Verse 12

"The twelve came and said to Him, "Send the multitude away,"

This was Not A Suggestion, This was a Direct Order. "we're telling you – send them away"

Earlier That Day, They Had returned in Glory.

Ministry Successful, Mission Accomplished, We're The Disciples!

The **People** Looked to the Disciples, The **Disciples** Complained, And then **Jesus** Looked Up to Heaven.

Isaiah 40:31

But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew *their* strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

Christian Service, Ministry is a Privilege – we get to

WHEN I CAN'T SEE A WAY OUT

2b.) Listen for God to say the impossible

v.13a

But He said to them, "You give them something to eat."

"YOU give them something to eat."

This "You" Is Stressed in the Greek Language.
It's a Firm Command, a Strong Order.

Charles Spurgeon Put It This Way; It's a Firm, Yet Gracious Aggressiveness

"You give them something to eat."

Can You See Them Looking At Each Other, Then Looking at Each Other's Pockets...

The Situation is Being Used to Bring Their Heads Down out of the Clouds and Back on Earth Where Only Heaven above can Help earth Beneath.

Were they in need of being reminded that;

"They" hadn't really "done" anything by themselves anyway!

Church, So Quickly They Had Forgotten That

They Had Simply Obeyed Him – That Was Their Success in Him!

Matthew 19:26

"With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

John 15:5

He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

WHEN I CAN'T SEE A WAY OUT

2c.) Learn - for God is about to do a work

v.13b-14

And they said (informing him), "We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we go and buy food for all these people. :14 For there were about five thousand men. Then He said to His disciples, "Make them sit down in groups of fifty."

There Has to Be Some "God-Humor" in All This

John 6:5-10

Then Jesus lifted up *His* eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He 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 would do. :7 Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii (8 months wages) worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little." :8 One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, :9 "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?" :10 Then Jesus said, "Make the people sit down."

This Little Kid with His 2 Fish Taco Lunch, Having 12 Big Guys Staring and Approaching Him.

This Kid had a Mother – a Jewish mother!

"Momma, I'm going to see what Jesus will do today".

Listen, take these loaves of bread and 2 fish. The bread's for coming and going, da'fish you eat for lunch. Don't get crushed in the crowd, God loves ya."

So What's The "How, What, When, Where and Why" For Our Lives?

Remember This;

"We have no more than five loaves and two fish at any given time. with that you can do nothing. But with Jesus Christ in control, you can feed the world with it.

I don't have any **peace**Then start to **rest** right now by hanging on to Jesus.

I don't have **money**Then **give** what you have to the Lord right now.

I don't have a **job**Then **do** what He's asking you to do.

I don't have a **direction**Then **follow** the Lord right now and listen to His voice.

Christian, The Lord will See to It, That is All You Ever Perceive to Have...

"Has never been more than five loaves and two fish"

Cheer up

what strengths that you perceive others to have, it's Jesus in them. What are the strengths that you see in me – it's Jesus!

JESUS IS MORE THAN ENOUGH

3.) The Lord provides what others can't

v.15-17

And they did so, and made them all sit down. :16 Then He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the multitude. :17 So they all ate and were filled, and twelve baskets of the leftover fragments were taken up by them.

3a.) Because He alone is our heavenly mediator v.15-16

And they did so, and made them all sit down. :16 Then He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven,

Why Look to Heaven?

Because nothing is going to get done without heavens involvement.

This looks Impossible to our eyes.

Christian:

The Lord will always call us to do something that we cannot see, envision ourselves doing.

When God is asking of you to do this or that, what is your response? "Lord - I Can't Do That" or "I Don't Understand That" or "How Can That Happen"

2 Corinthians 2:14-16

Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. :15 For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing. :16 To the one we are the aroma of death leading to death, and to the other the aroma of life leading to life. And who is sufficient for these things?

There's a High Level of Probability - - That's The Thing He's Asking Us to Do.

- Alexander McClaren

"The best preparation for any true servant of the Lord is knowing that what He has for the task at hand, is wholly inadequate."

THE LORD PROVIDES WHAT OTHERS CAN'T

3b.) Because He alone presides over His church v.16

He **blessed** and **broke** them, and **gave** them to the disciples to set before the multitude...

This is a Great Picture

Ezekiel 44:17-18

And it shall be, whenever [My priests] enter the gates of the inner court, that the [priests] shall put on linen garments; no wool shall come upon them while they minister within the gates of the inner court or within the house. :18 The [priests] shall have linen turbans on their heads and linen trousers on their bodies; they shall not clothe themselves with *anything that may causes* them to sweat.

And He gave them to the disciples to set before the people...

The Truest Form of Christian Ministry "empty hands – filled hands – empty hands – filled hands

Keep Getting Your Hands Filled by Emptying Your Hands Out Toward Others

gave

meaning, that the bread and fish kept coming, kept abounding like a river.

They flowed in abundance.

Jack, I Feel as Though I Have Nothing to Give. I'm in Need of Being Filled. I Need Someone to Take Care of Me.

Get What You Need from Jesus Christ thru His Word – Alone! Then, Go Out from Your Time with The Lord, and Give That Away.

Luke 17:33

Whoever seeks to save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life will preserve it.

THE LORD PROVIDES WHAT OTHERS CAN'T

3c.) Because He alone can bring satisfaction

v.17

So they **all** ate and were **filled**, and twelve baskets of the leftover fragments were taken up by them.

12 Baskets – Who Can Eat 12 Baskets Full?

No Wonder Herod asked Back in Verse 9

Luke 9:9

who is this of whom I hear such things?" So he sought to see Him.

He Brought Bread Outta Nowhere

WHO FED THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL

IN THE WILDERNESS AS THEY CAME OUT OF EGYPT?

John 6:32-35

Then Jesus said to those who had eaten of the bread, "Most assuredly, I say to you, Moses did not give you the bread from heaven, but My Father gives you the true bread from heaven. :33 For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." :34 Then they said to Him, "Lord, give us this bread always." :35 And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.

John 6:57-58

As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me. :58 This is the bread which came down from heaven—not as your fathers ate the manna, and are dead. He who eats this bread will live forever."

Jesus Christ of Nazareth - Is In Eternity Right Now

Revelation 4:9-11

Whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever, :10 the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying: :11 "You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created."

How Sufficient is Jesus Christ? what are your needs in this world?

The Great I AM of Scripture.

Exodus 3:13-15

Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you," and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?"

:14 And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you." :15 Moreover God said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.'

John 6:48

I AM the bread of life.

John 8:12

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I AM the light of the world.

John 8:24

Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I AM, you will die in your sins."

John 10:9

I AM the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved,

John 10:14

I AM the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and my sheep know me.

John 10:36

I AM the Son of God

John 11:25

"I AM the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.

Revelation 5:9

And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation.

Romans5:8-9

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. **:9** Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

So What's The "How, What, When, Where and Why" For Our Lives?

As evening fell and night closed in, there was a deep and exhausted satisfaction that filled them more than the 12 baskets of food leftover could ever provide.

Have You Caught On Yet,

That nothing of this world can satisfy you. Nothing!

Romans 8:31-32

What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us? **:32** He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

and for us who serve the Lord, remember this; He **takes** us and **looking** up to heaven, He **blesses** us and then He **breaks** us, and then **gives** us out as ministers of His.

MY FRIEND, THIS MORNING AND EVERY MORNING, "Jesus is More Than Enough"

