

## Feeding the 5,000

### Luke 9:10-17

LG Questions for week of 02/21/10

#### Getting Started

Introverts are wonderful people who have a tendency to require 'alone time' to recharge while extraverts tend to recharge by 'being around people' (Not wrong...just different). Are you an introvert or extravert? What are some ways you recharge based on how God made you? How do you feel when you are forced to be with a crowd?

#### Getting Into the Bible

1. **Read Luke 9:6.** Where had the disciples been? Now read Luke 9:10. What did the disciples do with Jesus when they returned? Why do you suppose they wanted alone time with Jesus when they returned?

2) **Read Luke 9:11-12.** Was Jesus hoping for alone time with His disciples? How did he respond when the crowds found him? How do you respond when people in need take you off your schedule? What was the apostles' response to the crowd in the afternoon? What do you think your response would have been?

3) **Read Luke 9:13-17.** Why did Jesus tell them, "*You give them something to eat*"? Was this fair? How did the apostles' respond to Jesus' instructions? Why did they struggle (especially after having done such powerful ministry in verses 1-6)?

4) What were some of the instructions given by Jesus for feeding the 5,000 (See vs. **14-16**)? What was the significance of the remaining twelve baskets from verse 17?

5) The feeding of the 5,000 is one of only three events recorded in all four Gospels (the others are Jesus' baptism and his death & resurrection). What does this say about the significance of this story?

#### Discussion:

In what ways does this story challenge you as a disciple (follower) of Jesus? Spend time praying for each other.