



### **Bring It: Pt. 8; Loaves and Fishes**

We can often feel like our contributions are small or insignificant, but when we surrender what we have to Jesus, he can do extraordinary things with it. We see this in the story of a young boy who offered Jesus his small lunch of five loaves and two fish so that Jesus could feed a crowd of over 5000. The story should encourage us to consider how we prioritize Jesus in our daily lives. We should feel an urge to trust Him with our resources and abilities, and to let go of control, allowing Him to work through us for greater purposes.

**Bottom Line:** Surrender what you have and watch what Jesus does.

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. Can you think of a time when you had to step back and let someone else take the lead? How did that experience shape you?
2. How does the concept of being a "supporting character" in God's story change your perspective on your daily life and actions?
3. What does it mean to you to "surrender what you have" to Jesus?
4. **Read John 6:4-14.** In this passage, we read about a boy who gave up his lunch (loaves and fish) so that Jesus could have it. The boy didn't know what would happen, but he surrendered it anyway. How can we practically surrender our "fishes and loaves" in our daily lives to Jesus?
5. Reflect on your calendar and financial priorities. Do they reflect Jesus as a priority in your life? Why or why not? What changes can you make to ensure that Jesus is a visible priority in your daily schedule and financial decisions?
6. How does the story of the boy with the loaves and fish encourage you to take action, even when you feel your contribution is small?
7. How can we as a community support each other in recognizing and using our unique gifts for God's glory?
8. What has been the most helpful thought/idea from the message this week? How has that thought/idea helped you?

\*If time doesn't allow for you to discuss all of these questions, use only the ones you feel would be most helpful for your group.