God Provides Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon Discussion Questions September 17, 2023

- 1. Share with each other a time when you were able to see God's provision in your life or in the lives of those around you (could be physical, emotional, or spiritual).
- 2. Have you ever studied the bible by putting two passages next to each other to compare the differences? What can you stand to gain from comparing similar stories in the gospels? To which other parts of scripture could you apply this technique?
- 3. Have you ever read the Bible with a specific need or desire in mind by searching and reading until you hit a particular passage that spoke to you? Tell the group about it. What would it look like for you to put this into practice this week?
- 4. What can be some dangers of only focusing on God's provision physically? How would your relationship with God look different if it wasn't just based on satisfying physical needs? How would this also change your prayer life?
- 5. How does faith play a role in how God provides for you? How does faith play a role in your prayers for God to provide for you? What might a prayer in faith for God's provision sound like?
- 6. How can we share our past seasons of having a need and God providing for that need in a way that encourages both ourselves and others and cultivates the principle of having joy in the midst of suffering?
- 7. Where do you need (as opposed to want) God's provision in your life today? Is the need physical, emotional, or spiritual? How can you bolster your prayer life around these needs? How can you be praying for each other in these needs?