**“More Than Enough”**

Going deeper in Luke 9:10-17

**INTRODUCTION** – Jesus has sent the disciples out with the power of God to tell the good news of the Kingdom of God breaking into our world. They have just returned.

**READ** – *Read (passage) aloud. Read it several times. Listen for what the Spirit of God is saying, don’t just think about it.* 10 And when the apostles returned, they told him all the things they had done. Then he took them away by themselves to an isolated place near a city called Bethsaida. 11 But the crowds got wind of it and followed him. He graciously received them and talked to them about the Kingdom of God and he healed those who needed healing. 12 As the sun began to set the Twelve said, “Send the crowd away so they can go to the surrounding towns and countryside and find food and lodging because we are out in the middle of nowhere.” 13 Jesus said, “You give them something to eat.” They said, “We don’t have any more than five loaves of bread and two fish, unless you want us to go and buy food for all these people (There were about five thousand people in the crowd). 14 But he said to his disciples, “Have them sit down together in groups of about fifty.” 15 They did what he said and everyone was seated. 16 He took the five loaves and two fish and looking up to heaven, he blessed, broke, and gave them to the disciples to hand out to the crowd. 17 After the crowd had eaten their fill, twelve baskets of leftovers were gathered up.

**ENGAGE** – *Questions for going deeper. God is speaking… to you.*

1. How do you feel when you have gotten away for a little peace and quiet and it is interrupted by others? What is Jesus’ response?

2. Why does Jesus tell the disciples to feed the crowd? Did he think they could do it?

3. Why did you think Jesus had the disciples give the fish and bread to the crowds rather than handing it out himself?

4. What was the significance of the twelve baskets being left over?

**PRAY** – *God has spoken. So, reply.*

\*Thank the Lord Jesus for all that he has given to you.

\*Thank him for giving you exactly what you need for the challenges he has for you.

\*Ask him to use you in the life of someone who is not walking with him this week.

**LIVE** – *This is where the rubber hits the road.*

Jesus asked the disciples to place in his hands what they had and he used it make an extraordinary difference. How is the Lord Jesus calling you to take what he gave you (gifts, talents, resources) and trust him with them to make an extraordinary difference in someone else’s life? Will you?