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We are Jesus Hands And Feet
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Late in the afternoon the Twelve came to Jesus and said, "Send the crowd away so they can go to the surrounding villages and countryside and find food and lodging, because we are in a remote place here." Luke 9:11-13

But Jesus said, "You feed them." Luke 9:12

"I'm going to have you start to do what I do in this world."

"I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father." –Jesus, John 14:12 (NIV)

When Jesus looked out and saw that a large crowd had arrived, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy bread to feed these people?" He said this to stretch Philip's faith. He already knew what he was going to do. Philip answered, "Two hundred silver pieces wouldn't be enough to buy bread for each person to get a piece." John 6:5-7 (MSG)

Another of his disciples, Andrew, spoke up, "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?" John 6:8-9 (NIV)

Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten. John 6:11-13 (NIV)

I bring what I have and trust God to do what God does.

My action: CARRY ON WHAT HE DID.

Christ has no body on earth but yours,

No hands but yours,

No feet but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which Christ's compassion for the world is to look;

Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good. –St.

Teresa of Avila

"Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

–Jesus, John 20:21 (NIV)

Talk it Over! For my thoughts and LifeGroup*

Read John 6:5-13. What do you see here?

Talk about what you would be thinking and feeling if you were a disciple and Jesus asked you to "feed them" (Luke 9:12).

There are different people in this story: the crowd, the disciples, and the little boy. What do you think each was feeling as the bread began to multiply?

Talk about what you think Jesus means in John 14:12 when He says, "greater things than these."

Do you think we are accomplishing 'greater things'? Why or why not?

What do you think is more important: doing good works for people or sharing the gospel? Are they intertwined? If so, how?

Have you ever been the recipient of something someone has done for you and felt like you had been blessed or helped by the "hands of Christ?"

*A LifeGroup is a group of people who are committed to loving each other and growing through times like these. For more information, connect with Pastor Len at len@marinerscc.org