

RADICAL:

The Life
and
Passions of
Jesus Christ



JESUS WILL *STRETCH* HIS DISCIPLES!

Mark 6:30-31

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to Him all they had done and taught. ³¹ Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat ...

JESUS WILL *STRETCH* HIS DISCIPLES!

- ***Physically, they were worn out!***
- ***Relationally, they were burned out. (Jn. 6:2; Mt. 13:10-17)***
- ***Emotionally, they were tapped out. (Mt 14:13)***

JESUS WILL *STRETCH* HIS DISCIPLES!

Mark 6:31-34

“Come with Me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.” ³² ***So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place.*** ³³ ***But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them.*** ³⁴ ***When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd,***

JESUS WILL *STRETCH* HIS DISCIPLES!

*He had compassion on them,
because they were like sheep
without a shepherd. So He began
teaching them many things.*

JESUS WILL PRESS HIS DISCIPLES!

Mark 6:35-37

By this time it was late in the day, so His disciples came to Him. “This is a remote place,” they said, “and it’s already very late.³⁶ Send the people away so they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.”³⁷ But He answered, “You give them something to eat.”

JESUS WILL PRESS HIS DISCIPLES!

- *He commands them to do the impossible!*

“That would take eight months of a man’s wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?”

JESUS WILL PRESS HIS DISCIPLES!

- *He commands them to do the impossible!*
 - *“This is impossible!”*
 - *“You’re asking too much!”*
 - *“You’ve pushed us too far!”*
 - *“You’ve gone mad!”*

JESUS WILL PRESS HIS DISCIPLES!

- *He commands them to do the impossible!*
- *He exposes their personal autonomy!*
- *He meets them in their desperation.*

JESUS WILL PRESS HIS DISCIPLES!

Mark 6:38-42

“How many loaves do you have?” He asked. “Go and see.” When they found out, they said, “Five—and two fish.”³⁹ Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass.⁴⁰ So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties.⁴¹ Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, He gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then He gave them to His disciples to set before the people. He also divided the two fish among them all.⁴² They all ate and were satisfied,

JESUS WILL PRESS HIS DISCIPLES!

John 6:6

*“He asked this only to test him, for he
already had in mind what he was
going to do.”*

JESUS WILL PRESS HIS DISCIPLES!

- *“I know you can’t feed them on their own!”*
- *“Will you invite Me into it?”*
- *“Will you give Me what you have?”*
- *“Will you do what I ask?”*

JESUS WILL PRESS HIS DISCIPLES!

- *He commands them to do the impossible!*
- *He exposes their personal autonomy!*
- *He meets them in their desperation.*
- *He rewards their responsiveness.*

JESUS WILL PRESS HIS DISCIPLES!

Mark 6:43

*And the disciples picked up twelve
basketfuls of broken pieces of
bread and fish.*