Matthew 14:13-21 NLT
13 As soon as Jesus heard the news, he left in a boat to a remote area to be alone. But the crowds heard where he was headed and followed on foot from many towns. 14 Jesus saw the huge crowd as he stepped from the boat, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

15 That evening the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves.”
16 But Jesus said, “That isn’t necessary—you feed them.”
17 “But we have only five loaves of bread and two fish!” they answered.
18 “Bring them here,” he said. 19 Then he told the people to sit down on the grass. Jesus took the five loaves and two fish, looked up toward heaven, and blessed them. Then, breaking the loaves into pieces, he gave the bread to the disciples, who distributed it to the people. 20 They all ate as much as they wanted, and afterward, the disciples picked up twelve baskets of leftovers. 21 About 5,000 men were fed that day, in addition to all the women and children!

John 10:10 NASB
The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly
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- John 15:5
Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.

- Ephesians 3:20
Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.

TALK IT THROUGH

1. What’s one area of life that you’d like to see “more” in? Do you believe “the best is yet to come”? How can we spot a plateau in our lives?

2. Read Matthew 14:13-21 (above). What was the context, the setting, the day of the miracle that “set the table”? What did Jesus see and how did he feel? Do you think he would respond likewise to you, even in the area you mentioned above?

3. How would you have responded if you were in Jesus’ shoes? How do you respond to messy areas in your sphere of influence now?

4. The miracle of feeding the 5,000+ didn’t happen until the disciples handed Jesus the “little” they had. The moment we place our “only …” into the hands of Jesus,
multiplication can happen. What “resources” is Jesus inviting you to give to him? What steps can you take to do that?

5. The miracle of provision, the miraculous “more” God places in your hands, is ultimately for others. Who is God calling you to feed?