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John 6:1-15 – Why We Need To Be Needy

Small Group Questions

Pray for God's help as you turn to look at His word, to understand and respond rightly to what you'll see.

Read through the passage and then discuss these questions together.

1. Have you ever been in a situation where you felt completely unprepared or lacked resources? Share a brief story and how you managed it.
2. What were the immediate needs of the crowd, Philip, and Andrew in this passage?
3. How does the idea of 'neediness', as presented in the talk on Sunday, challenge our cultural value of being self-sufficient? Can you identify areas in your life where you resist acknowledging your neediness?
4. Why does someone who seems to have their life together and be living very happily still need to see their spiritual neediness and come to Jesus? What is it that means *everyone* needs the 'bread of life' Jesus goes on to offer later in the chapter?
5. Why is thinking of yourself as self-sufficient a major obstacle in the Christian life?
6. "So, what do we do in a situation like this?" Consider a current challenge or problem in your life. How might seeing it as an opportunity to depend on Jesus change how you think about it?
7. Being unable to fix or change a situation could cause us to give up. How does this passage show us how we should respond in such situations?
8. "Lord, I don't have much, but what I have is yours." How might a prayer like this, at the start of each day, be a good preparation for the day ahead, whatever it holds?
9. The crowd recognised Jesus to be a prophet (v14), but misunderstood his mission (v15). How did Jesus provide for us what we most deeply need? How should we respond to that?
10. "Jesus isn't only the provider, He's the provision." How can this truth shape your relationship with Him and your worship of Him?

Respond to God's word in prayer

Share any answers to prayer you've seen since you last met

Take some time to pray for each other