

Title | The End of Your Rope

Series | NOW I SEE

Text | John 6:1-15

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John 6:1 After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. 2 And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. 3 Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. 4 Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. 5 Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" 6 He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. 7 Philip answered him. "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9 "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. 11 Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." 13 So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. 14 When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!" 15 Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself. ESV

Big Idea:

Sermon Notes

John 6:5

... Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" *ESV*

For Reflection & Application:

Monday:

- Read John 6:1-15.
- Of all the ways Jesus could have fed the multitude, why do you think he chose this way?

Tuesday:

- Read John 6:5-6.
- Why did Jesus ask Philip this question? What is the test? What is the answer to the question?

Wednesday:

- Read John 6:10; Mark 6:39-40.
- Why did Jesus want the people to sit? Why sit in groups of fifty and a hundred?

Thursday:

- Read John 6:12-13.
- Why did Jesus have his disciples gather the leftovers? What is the significance of the twelve baskets?

Friday:

• From the story of John 6:1-15, how are you like Philip? How has God tested you? What does he want you to learn?