

# Believe

JOHN

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## Community Group Material:

*Bible Reading: John 6:1-15*

*Believe: Jesus Our Host & True King*

Ask one person to pray at the beginning of your meeting.

### Check-in

Check in with each other about how everyone is doing.

**Bible Reading:** John 6:1-15

### Sermon Summary:

Most people have probably at least heard of Jesus' miracle of feeding the 5,000 with 5 loaves and 2 fish. But what picture does it provide us with of him? He is the host who feeds the multitude and makes sure each person has as much to eat as they want. This should prompt us to look at Jesus with much love because he is the one who has an endless supply of all that we need. The question we need to answer is, are we coming to him for the things that we need in life?

When the crowd saw the miracle unfolding before their eyes, they saw Jesus as the long-awaited, promised one. Immediately they wanted to make him king, like a second David. But, Jesus withdrew from them. Why? It's not as if he didn't want to be their king. But it's the manner in which he'd become their king. They wanted a political king. But Jesus needed to go to the cross to become the true king. We must receive Jesus as our king on God's terms and not our own

### Discussion:

1. According to Jn. 6:2, what motivated the crowd to come to Jesus? Talk about why many people come to Jesus initially. Are their motives always pure? What does it tell you about Jesus that he still intended to feed them? What was his motive?
2. Why does Jesus ask Philip about where to find bread to feed the people? How is he trying to deepen his disciples faith in him?
3. How do we see Jesus acting like a host in this feeding miracle (vv. 10-13)?
4. What do the words “as much as they wanted” speak to you as you follow Jesus? What do they tell you about God’s supply for you?
5. What motivated the crowd to force Jesus to become their king? What was he telling them by withdrawing? Is there a connection between him withdrawing here and the reason he spoke to his mother in 2:4 in a seemingly harsh manner?
6. How are we fed by Jesus today? Which ways have really helped you to feed well?
7. Not only is Jesus a host to care for others, but Christians are hosts as well. How have you hosted others?
8. We can take Jesus as our true King on God’s terms, or force him to be our king based on our terms. Talk about the different approaches.

**End with Prayer.**

- Ask God for you to be in harmony more with him at work/school/home for his work .
- Pray for one another.