HELEN SANDERS 6-30-2024 LITTLE IS MUCH WHEN GOD IS IN IT

You might think of what you do for God as being very much, but scripture tells us the story of a young boy. Thousands were thronging to see Jesus, including a young lad that brought his lunch with him. He brought five small barley loaves, [which were probably the size of biscuits] and two small fish to eat. That was just enough for his lunch.

The people had been there a while and became hungry. Jesus said to his disciples in John 6:5, "...Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat?"

Now, there were five thousand men that had come there [verse 10] not including the women and children. Now, that is a lot of people to feed. There were not any McDonald's nearby, and the twelve disciples had not brought a food cart with them.

When Jesus asked the disciples this question, it was a test. [verse 6] They, like most of us, were thinking in the natural. They had no clue as to how to feed this multitude. Andrew then told Jesus that there was a lad that had five barley loaves and two small fishes. His faith was definitely limited because he said, [verse 9] "...but what are they among so many?"

We are often just like Andrew, wondering how what little we have will make our ends meet. Then the miracle happened. Jesus took what the boy had brought and gave thanks for the bread and fishes, and they began to multiply.

Notice, nothing happened until something small was given to the Lord and He thanked God for what was given. All those five thousand were fed in this story, and there were twelve baskets of bread and fish left over. I would say that God did a miracle way beyond what they needed. There was an overflow.

We must never think that what we give God is insignificant. He will take what we give and cause it to multiply just like he did when the boy gave it all to Jesus. So, like the boy's lunch, when what little you have will not cover your need, plant it into God's kingdom as a seed to the Lord and watch him multiply it!

Little becomes much when God is involved.