

The GOSPEL of MARK

Our Call to Discipleship

Kingdom Expansion: Feeding the Five Thousand

Mark 6:35-44

PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty Father, You O LORD are our Shepherd. We confess our foolish attempts to direct our own path, lead our own lives and seek our own way. Every time we do this we are flooded with overwhelming wants and needs and lack. And every time we turn to Christ by faith we find that He alone is our only way, the truth and the life. He alone is our good Shepherd. For He alone has laid down His life for His church, the saints. You alone, O LORD, know us and care for us as your sheep. Thank you for providing for us. Thank you for your constant provision as we walk through this life filled with troubles and struggles. Would you grant us your Spirit this morning that we might trust your provision given to us through Jesus Christ our compassionate Savior and Shepherd. May we trust Him, rely on Him, live with confidence in His constant and lavish provision for us as we walk as disciples of Christ. Would you do things in the name & authority of Jesus Christ our Shepherd. Amen & Amen.

OUTLINE

1. The Short Sighted Disciples (vv. 35-38)
2. Our Compassionate Shepherd (vv. 39-41)
3. A Satisfied Crowd (vv. 42-44)

Central Textual Truth

Jesus' compassion calls his disciples to trust His provision.

Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to trust Christ's provision for our callings.