



Leader

11/2 - Luke 9:10-17

LOVE

A new commandment I give to you, that you love *one another*... (John 13:34)

- *Internal*: How was your week...anything new? How was your walk with the Lord this week?
- *External*: Is there any individual or family who is struggling or needs encouragement from us?

TRUTH

Let the word of God dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing *one another*... (Col. 3:16)

1. When you reflect on the message from Sunday, what most resonated with you?

[Dialogue]

2. Let's read our primary text. What were the apostles doing before this event, and why did Jesus take them away to a quiet place?

The apostles had just returned from being sent out by Jesus to preach and heal (Luke 9:1–6). They were likely tired and in need of rest and reflection. Jesus took them aside to a quiet place near Bethsaida to rest and to spend time with them, showing His concern for their physical and spiritual well-being.

3. There is a theme that is consistent throughout the gospels in how Jesus responds to crowds or interruption, even when he is tired? How does he respond here and what can we learn from His responses?

Jesus routinely responds with compassion. Here in this text, Jesus once again responded with compassion over his desire for rest.

4. What does this miracle teach us about Jesus' identity and mission?

It reveals Jesus as the compassionate provider and the divine Son of God who has authority over creation. It also foreshadows the Last Supper and the spiritual nourishment He provides as the Bread of Life (John 6:35). His mission was not only to meet physical needs but to bring eternal life.

5. What spiritual principle can we take from the disciples' experience?

When we bring our small resources to Jesus in faith, He multiplies them for His glory and others' good. Our job is obedience and trust—His is the miracle.

6. What connections could be made between this story and Israel in the wilderness?

Some scholars make the connection that just as God provided in abundance for Israel in the wilderness with manna and quail, Jesus provides in abundance for those who encounter Him, even beyond their immediate need.

7. To recap, what are the key themes of this text?

- **Compassion**: Jesus' heart for people's physical and spiritual needs.
- **Faith**: Trusting Jesus beyond what seems possible.
- **Provision**: God's ability to provide abundantly from little.
- **Participation**: Jesus involves His followers in His work.

8. Any other thoughts you would like to share before we wrap up this text?

[Dialogue]

GREAT COMMISSION

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... (Matt. 28:19-20)

- Did you disciple your family well this week? Is it apparent to others that Jesus the reason for your hope in your daily activity? Would anyone like to share the gospel with the group?

CONFESSION/PRAYER/REPENTANCE

But exhort *one another* every day, as long as it is called "today,"... (Heb. 3:12-14)

- Confession is agreeing with God about our sin according to the Scriptures. Is there anything you want to confess before the group? [*apathy, idolatry, selfishness, jealousy, anger, envy*]
- Let's pray, asking God to help us apply His word to our lives.

Sources:

- ESV Study Bible Commentary
- Christ-Centered Exposition, Luke - (Anyabwile)
- AI Resources (Apple, Chat GPT)