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INTRODUCTION

Many of our favorite Bible stories are tales we've heard since we were little kids. Samson and Delilah, Daniel and the Lion's den and others. Over time, we've edited these stories to be "PG" when in reality they are gritty and dark stories of the human experience and grace of God. Join us on Sundays during the month of August at 9:30 am or 11 am as we unpack these stories and apply them to our lives today.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Have you ever faced a problem or difficult situation where what you had to offer wasn't even close to being able to solve the problem or change the situation? What was that like?
- 2. Read John 6:1-9. What is the problem in this first part of the story, and what reasons do Philip and Andrew give for not being able to find a solution to the problem?
- 3. Read John 6:10-13. Jesus knew beforehand how this scene would play out. Why do you think he asked Philip where to get bread and used the young boy's bread and fish? Why not just make the food appear out of thin air?
- 4. Read John 6:14-15. Jesus' performed this miracle not just so that people could eat, but as another sign that he indeed was the Son of God. Have you ever seen experienced something or seen something happen that left no doubt it was God working?
- 5. What might God be asking you to do—maybe this week, maybe this year—That you wouldn't be able to accomplish on your own and so a God-sized miracle is needed?

Then Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up. "There's a young boy here with five barley loaves and two fish. But what good is that with this huge crowd?" -John 6:8-9



