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 GROUPS  
 HEAVEN  
 JESUS  
 KINGDOM  
 LOAVES

LODGING  
 NUMBERED  
 PROVISIONS  
 SATISFIED  
 SURROUNDING  
 THOUSAND  
 TWELVE  
 VILLAGES

## Catechizing Corner!

Today's story of the feeding of the multitudes with loaves and fishes is the only miracle story found in all four gospels. Luke establishes the context for his rendition by the question posed by Herod in a preceding verse 9: "Who is this man about whom I hear all these reports?" Luke answers the question in prophetic fashion and names Jesus the fulfillment of all messianic hopes and dreams. His answer is prophetic, messianic, eucharistic, and eschatological. Jesus was understood as the fulfillment of Old Testament messianic prophecy. This story would remind the ancient audience of a similar feeding story in which Elisha fed 100 men with 20 loaves of bread and thereby, as God's agent, testified to God's mighty power. Today's story is also reminiscent of the feeding of Israel in the desert with manna from heaven, thus giving credence to the type of Christ Luke was attempting to portray a "prophet like Moses."

The original intent of the story was a proclamation of the imminent reign of God. Luke has Jesus teaching about the kingdom and healing those in need both signs of the messianic reign. This messianic was to usher in his reign not built on riches, power, and royal domination, but on identification with the poor, oppressed, and marginalized and on suffering and death for himself and all who would follow in his steps.

Mary Birmingham, *Word and Worship Workbook, Cycle C*  
 Paulist Press, 1998



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# Disciple's Reflection

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## Question

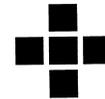
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## Call to Prayer

*Begin by calling upon God: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.*

Let us pause for a moment and listen attentively to this week's passage.

## The Word of God John 9:11b-17

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured.

As the day was drawing to a close, the **Twelve** approached him and said, "Dismiss the crowd so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms and find lodging and provisions; for we are in a deserted place here." He said to them, "Give them some food yourselves." They replied,

### Gospel Glossary

The **twelve** are the twelve apostles

**Loaves** refers to loaves of bread

**Satisfied** means full.

The **fragments** were pieces of bread left over

"Five **loaves** and two fish are all we have, unless we ourselves go and buy food for all these people." Now the men there numbered about five thousand.

Then he said to his disciples, "Have them sit down in groups of about fifty." They did so and made them all sit down. Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were **satisfied**. And when the leftover **fragments** were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets. **The Gospel of the Lord.**



## Faith Sharing

Questions of the Week:

**Adults:** In what way will you "become bread" for others?

**Teens:** Jesus established the Eucharist at a special meal, the Passover. Why are meals so important to humans?

**Children:** How does receiving Holy Communion make you stronger?

**Families:** After having a special family meal, how does your family show thankfulness?

## Closing Prayer

Lord, You have called us to be your disciples, to live in faith, walking always in your footsteps. By your suffering, death, and resurrection, you have made us children of God. As you have loved us and asked us to love one another, help us to love and embrace everyone in our lives.

Fill us with love, compassion, forgiveness, patience, understanding, and tolerance, even when we face the pain of hatred, rejection, and failure.

Guide us to be good disciples. May we seek always the praise and glory of God and the good of all people. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**