

## **Make Room in Your Commitments!**

### **Make Room, Pt. 9**

**Mark 6, John 6, 1 Corinthians 16**

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**Mark 6:41**, *Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. **42** They all ate and were satisfied, **43** and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. **44** The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand.*

### **Making Room for God in Our Commitments** **Requires:**

#### **1. Recognizing the Physical and Spiritual NEEDS**

**Mark 6:34**, *When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things. **35** By this time it was late in the day, so his disciples came to him. “This is a remote place,” they said, “and it’s already very late. **36** Send the people away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.”*

#### **2. A Willingness to SACRIFICE**

**Mark 6:37**, *But he answered, “You give them something to eat.” They said to him, “That would take more than half a year’s wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?”*

**John 6:6**, *He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.*

#### **3. Giving God What YOU HAVE**

**Mark 6:38**, *“How many loaves do you have?” he asked. “Go and see.” When they found out, they said, “Five—and two fish.”*

**1 Corinthians 16:1**, *Now about the collection for the Lord’s people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. **2** On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up...*

**2 Corinthians 9:7**, *Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

#### **4. Developing a Plan to Feed the PEOPLE**

**Mark 6:39**, *Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. **40** So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. **41** Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all.*

## 5. Believing God Will MULTIPLY IT

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### Three Goals for Our Make Room Campaign:

- 100% Participation at Some Level
- \$10 Million in Offerings and 26 Month Commitments
- Give God All the Glory in Our Church