

John 6:1

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Think about [John 6:2](#) & [6:10](#).

And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. ... Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number.

1. How large was this crowd that followed Jesus?
 2. Why was this crowd following Jesus?
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Think about [John 6:5-7](#).

Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little."

Note: a denarii is one day's wage.

1. Why did Jesus ask Philip how they were going to feed these people?
 2. Did Philip pass the test?
 3. How would you have answered Jesus?
 4. Why does God test us? [Psalm 26:2](#)
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Think about [John 6:9-13](#).

"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" ... Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten.

1. How much food did Jesus get from the boy?
 2. How much food did each person get?
 3. How much food was left over?
 4. After all this, if you were that boy, what would you think about Jesus?
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Think about [Deuteronomy 18:15-19](#).

About 1500 years before Jesus was born, Moses said this to the Jewish people.

“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers --it is to him you shall listen-- ... And the LORD said to me, ... 'I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.'”

1. What is this prophet going to be like?
 2. What will this prophet say?
 3. What were the people to do with this prophet?
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Think about [John 6:14](#).

When the people saw the sign that he (Jesus) had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

1. What sign did the people see Jesus do?
 2. Why did this sign cause them to say, Jesus is the Prophet, like Moses?
 3. Was Jesus the promised prophet?
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Think about [John 6:15](#).

Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

1. After the people ate the food Jesus gave them, what did they plan to do?
 2. Why didn't Jesus allow the crowd to make him their king? [Psalm 2:6](#)
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