**GOD’S UNFAILING ECONOMY**

**HE WILL TAKE CARE OF HIS OWN**

Iwant to say in starting this Newsletter that I am glad that we serve a God who is still in control! We are living in a shaky time but our God is not shaken – He sees all and He knows all! He still sits on the throne and rules. This big earth is being rocked by natural disasters all around the globe and the news media fills the minds of the people with worry and fear, saying the economy is crashing and going down. But no matter how dark and negative the political leaders, lawmakers and economist’s paint these times of uncertainty – We still have and serve a God who rules and reigns supreme. His economy will never crash, it cannot be broken and it will never run out!! No matter what the dooms dayers say, the God whom we serve will take care of His own in this world!

I want you to carefully read the story in the following scriptures of Jesus feeding the 5,ooo men besides the women and children with just 5 barley loaves and 2 small fishes. It is believed that counting the women and children that day, the multitude could have been 15,000 thousand or more hungry people that were fed and filled. I want to say before we start, this is **the only Miracle** Jesus performed that is recorded by all 4 gospel writers, so it must be very important for us to know this!

**Mark 6:31** And he (Jesus) said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a **desert place**, and rest a while: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.

**32** And they departed into a **desert place** by ship privately.

**33** And the people saw them departing, and many knew him, and ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent them, and came together unto him.

**34** And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things.

**35** And when the day was now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and said, This is a **desert place**, and now the time is far passed:

**36** Send them away, that they may go into the country round about, and into the villages, and buy themselves bread: for they have nothing to eat.

**37** He answered and said unto them, Give ye them

to eat. And they say unto him, Shall we go and buy

two hundred pennyworth of bread, and give them to eat?

**38** He saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? go and see. And when they knew, they say, Five, and two fishes.

**39** And he commanded them to make all sit down by companies upon the green grass.

**40** And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties.

**41** And when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and brake the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before them; and the two fishes divided he among them all.

**42** And they did all eat, and were filled.

**43** And they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments, and of the fishes.

**44** And they that did eat of the loaves were about five thousand men.

**Notice**: Three times the Holy Ghost inspired **Mark** to write that it was a desert place that this miracle was performed by Jesus. Dear reader, you might feel like you are in a desert place and no good thing can come out of it, but know this – no matter how hard the situation, or impossible the circumstance may seem that you find yourself in, if the Lord is there and you put your trust in Him – He will provide!! Glory to His name! God’s economy is on a much higher level than this world and its governments, it is unfailing! He is a God who cannot fail – a God who is more than enough. He owns and rules it all.

THE FULL PICTURE

I will combine what each writer - Matthew, Mark, Luke and John recorded in this story so you can get the full picture of what was said and done by Jesus and His disciples. Surely this story not only shows the miracle power of what God can do, but it also shows the limitations of man, it reveals his weakness of doubt and unbelief in hard times of need when things look hopeless or impossible! But know this – our Lord is still moved with compassion – Jesus’ hands still know how to make and supply needs!!

Picture in your mind with me - I see in this story a vast multitude of hurting humanity of sick and suffering people in need of a Saviour. I see hungry Dad’s and Mother’s with their children in tow and many others who were desperately in need in their bodies and souls. They saw in Jesus their help and their answer to life’s problems. We know you helped and delivered others Lord, and we believe you will help us too. If we can only get to Jesus we know He’ll heal us! We’ll walk long distance on foot and follow your boat Master around the shore of Galilee; we’ll even follow you into a desert place to get your divine touch. Mark records they outwent (outran Jesus) and was waiting on Him when He got off the boat! When Jesus looked out over that great multitude, He was deeply touched in His heart and moved with compassion. He saw them as lost sheep without a shepherd to care!

**Listen close**: Our God is a God of divine order! First things must come first! Jesus is first and foremost interested in your eternal soul. Is it well with your soul? Do you know God? Do you know what He requires of you to serve Him to be saved and go to Heaven? According to the 4 Gospel writers in synchronizing the order of this story, (**1**) Jesus first has them all to sit down in companies of 50’s and 100’s upon the ground. (**2**) He then teaches them about the Kingdom of God and many other things. (**3**) He then heals the sick. (**4**) Lastly, He feeds them all before sending them away to go back home.

It was if Jesus was saying to that multitude of people when they all sat down – I know you’ve got problems – I know you all have needs - You’re concerned about your physical needs – but I’m concerned about your spiritual. You’re concerned about your empty stomachs, but I’m concerned about your empty lost souls. You’re thinking about the natural, you’re worried about the here and the now, but I am concerned about your future and your eternal hereafter! I must deal with your soul first! Listen dear reader – GOD MUST COME FIRST!! You must put the spiritual things first in your life!

WITH JESUS IT IS NOT TOO LITTLE OR TOO LATE

NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE

When the day was far spent and the daylight was getting ready to run out, the disciples told Jesus – There is nothing out here in this barren place Lord, send all the people away, tell them to go back to town so they can get them something to eat. But Jesus said – “They need not depart! Give ye them to eat!” Philip spoke up and said – Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not enough Jesus for everyone to take a little and eat.

(You must remember, it will never get too late for God to perform a miracle for His hungry children that come to Him in need!) Jesus said to His disciples – what have ye? Go and see! Andrew came back and said to Jesus – there’s a lad here which hath 5 barley loaves and 2 small fishes: but what are they among **so many**? Shall we go and buy meat for all this multitude of people to feed them? It was then that Jesus said – “Bring them to me!” (Bring the little that you’ve got to me!) Glory to God! With our Lord, nothing is ever too little for Him or impossible! Our God spoke it all into existence in the beginning, created everything out of nothing!!

Jesus is saying to us today – You might feel empty and helpless and what you have is too little, that it’ll never be enough but if you will trust, obey and believe God and place your little bit in my hands, you will see what I can do! I can work a miracle right out in the middle of nowhere in your desert place! I am not limited by time and space!! Dear reader, you will reach times in your life that you will say – what am I going to do? I’m going to run out! I see no way out and the enemy will say to you – you can’t make it. But It is never too late or too hard for God to work and provide. You will never be too far down or out for the Lord to reach you and help you! God will say to you in this Newsletter – “Children, I know and I see the whole world’s situation – Fear not, for I will take care of my own who trust and serve me!”

In my mind, I can see as I look out over that multitude that probably numbered 15,000 people or more of all ages sitting in companies upon the ground. I see them looking toward the Saviour wondering – what’s next. At your Word Lord, here we sit and we are waiting! There had to be expectancy in this crowd for many had already been healed and touched. “What about our hungry stomach’s Lord?” Jesus is getting ready to perform a miracle that both the disciples and all the people will see to the extent that they should never ever doubt!

We all ought to look back on our life and see the times that God came through in the hardest of times and circumstances and proved His Faithfulness. What Jesus was doing here in this story, He not only is proving His love and care for them, but He’s building their faith for on down the road when they had needs again in the future! I’ll say it again – God knows right where you are at this moment – He’s still the God of overflowing resources, His Well of Grace will never go dry – He supplies His children’s needs according to His riches in Glory by Christ Jesus!

WATCH THE SAVIOUR’S HANDS

I can see the Lad here in this story as he willingly and trustingly gave his little bit of bread and fishes to Jesus and placed them in His hands. I can see our blessed Lord as He looked up to Heaven and prayed to the Father and blessed the food. He brake the loaves and divided the two fishes and gave to the disciples to give to the multitude. Everyone in that crowd – Mommies, Daddies and Children ATE AND WERE **FILLED**! Not a one of them went back home empty and unfulfilled!! Jesus told His disciples to gather up the fragments that remained of the miracle and they gathered up 12 baskets full! O what a witness of God’s power! O what a testimony! O what a story that was told by the people in that group when they returned back home, of what they saw late that evening out in a desert place in the middle of nowhere. No doubt the children in this great crowd remembered this miracle the rest of their life and told it to their kids, how they watched Jesus look up to Heaven and pray to His Father to feed them, how He blessed the bread and fish and how that small amount of food kept on multiplying and stretching and going till it filled everyone.

As I was studying and praying for this Newsletter, the Holy Ghost gave me a Poem to go with it titled:

OUR GOD SHALL SUPPLY!

When you come to a place and you don’t know what to do,

Put your faith in Jesus – He’ll come through

For you;

When the place you are sitting looks

Hopeless and dry,

Just look to those Hands eternal –

For your God shall supply;

Ask the poor widow woman

Who was down to her last meal,

My barrel never went empty – My God is real!

I found out that you can’t outgive the Lord,

When you put Him first and obey His Holy Word!

A cruse of oil another woman poured and poured,

Till every vessel was filled – and she saw

The Glory of the Lord!

Now she had enough oil to pay her every debt,

My God has come through again –

Another need He has met.

In God’s Wells of Salvation –

The waters shall never run out;

Stand on His Word and promises, don’t ever doubt.

Ask the Children of Israel in the wilderness

Of a dry thirsty land –

From a dry flinty Rock waters gushed like

A river at God’s great command!

Millions drank from the waters

Till their souls were satisfied –

In the most unlikely places our God

Still knows how to Provide!

God’s children never went hungry,

Each one of them were graciously fed –

Every morning they awoke

God sent them manna the Heavenly bread.

For 40 long years He led them,

Their shoes never wore thin –

God kept His every Word and promise

To Canaan they safely entered in!

Don’t ever let the devil tell you that you can’t make it! If you are serving the Lord and giving Him your all – He shall supply your every need. Three million of God’s children never starved, they never died of thirst. The Lord spoke to all His people in **Deut. 29** – I have led you for 40 years through the wilderness: Your clothes are not waxen old upon you and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot. (What was the Lord saying?) “When I called you and brought you out of the world of Egypt’s bondage, I started you out to take you all the way!! I never left you – I never let you down – I have been with you the whole time on the way. If I brought you this far – I will take you the rest of the way because I made you a promise that cannot fail. My Word is forever true.

God is not limited, you cannot exhaust Him – He can bend the laws of nature to take care of His own. If He did all this for His Old testament Saints, shall He not do it for His Bride, the Church of Christ today? Christ was the Rock that followed the Children of Israel through the wilderness and our Blessed Lord Jesus Christ is with His Blood bought redeemed today!! **Ps. 37:18-19** – The Lord knoweth the days of the upright: They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied. ***May God Bless all my Readers!!***