## THE GOSPEL OF JOHN Pt. 16: John 6:1-15 "Jesus Feeds Five Thousand"

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## **Jesus Feeds Five Thousand**

John 6:1-15 (NIV)

- [1] Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias),
- [2] and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the miraculous signs he had performed on the sick.
- [3] Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples.
- [4] The Jewish Passover Feast was near.
- [5] When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?"
- [6] He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.
- [7] Philip answered him, "Eight months' wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!"
- [8] Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up,
- [9] "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"
- $^{[10]}$  Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and the men sat down, about five thousand of them.
- [11] Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.
- [12] When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted."
- [13] So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.
- [14] After the people saw the miraculous sign that Jesus did, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is come into the world."
- [15] Jesus, knowing they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.