

The Jesus Way (Part 3)

A Four-Week, Life-Giving Series
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"I AM THE WAY and the truth and the life."
- Jesus, John 14:6a NIV

# THE BIG IDEA: Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.

## HOW TO HANDLE LIFE'S GREATEST CHALLENGES:

1.	<b>TURN TO JESUS</b>	

- JESUS looked out and saw..."Where can we buy bread to feed these people?" John 6:5
- He said this to STRETCH PHILIP'S FAITH. He already knew what he was going to do. John 6:6

### Who or what do you turn to when stretched?

- Philip answered, "Two hundred silver pieces wouldn't be enough to buy bread for each person to get a piece." John 6:7
- "TURN TO GOD, so that your sins maybe wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord. Peter, Acts 3:19 NIV

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#### 2. SURRENDER WHAT'S IN YOUR HANDS

Q:Will I have enough? Will I surrender my all to Jesus?

#### Moses Surrenders, Israel Succeeds (Exodus 17:8-13):

- "Tomorrow I will stand on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hands." (v. 9b)
- As long as Moses held up his hands, the Israelites were winning... (v. 11a)
- Moses' hands grew tired... (v. 12a)
- Aaron and Hur held his hands up...(v. 12b)
- So Joshua overcame the Amalekite army.(v.13a)
- He too saved Israel. Judges 3:31b NIV
- Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, "HERE IS A BOY with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how...?" John 6:8-9 NIV
- Generous hands are blessed hands because they give bread to the poor. Proverbs 22:9 MSG

YES or NO: Are you a cynical person?

- Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." There was a nice carpet of green grass... (v.10a)
- 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 the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. THEY ALL ATE AND WERE SATISFIED... Matthew 14:19b-20a NIV

#### "PRAYER INVITES GOD INTO THE EQUATION.

The twelve baskets of remainders mean the most accurate equations is this: 5 + 2 = 5,000 R12."

- Mark Batterson,

The Circle Maker: Praying Circles Around Your Biggest Dreams and Greatest Fears

• Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry." - John 6:35a NIV