

Matthew 14:17-18

And they said to Him, "We have here only five loaves and two fish." He said, "Bring them here to Me."

Wouldn't you love to win the Lotto?

I know if I did, I would quit my job and teach the bible full time on the Internet as well as write books and record and give away Praise music.

But you know what, I don't need to win the Lotto to serve the Lord, and neither do you. Here in today's devotional verse we all know this story of how Jesus fed 5,000 men, plus women and children with *only five loaves and two fish*. Jesus didn't need to play the Lotto to feed these people, no all Jesus had to do was trust in God and use what was provided to Him, which were *only five loaves and two fish*.

So maybe like me, you have very little material things, but Jesus says to you and me, *"Bring them here to Me."*

The Lord doesn't want you to be rich to serve Him, just obedient with what you have, no matter how little or how much it may be. And serving does not always have to do with money, it could be time serving those in need or praying for others, or just having a ear for someone to vent to or a shoulder to cry on.

So ask the Lord what He wants from you, no matter how little it may be, and ask Him to multiply it for His glory. You may not feed 5,000 but then Jesus said, *"And whoever gives one of these little ones only a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple, assuredly, I say to you, he shall by no means lose his reward."* Matt 10:42

A cup of water seems so little to us, yet even for this little offering you will be rewarded.

† **Mark 12:41-44** *Now Jesus sat opposite the treasury and saw how the people put money into the treasury. And many who were rich put in much. Then one poor widow came and threw in two mites, which make a quadrans. So He called His disciples to Himself and said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than all those who have given to the treasury; for they all put in out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all that she had, her whole livelihood."*