



OFFERING TALK - ABBREVIATED

# Imagine: Feeding The Multitudes

**Scripture Passage:** Matthew 14:13-21 (NRSV)

This morning's Gospel lesson is a powerful message about God's provision for us.

As United Methodists, through our connectional giving, we experience that unlimited possibility.

**A portion of our gifts joins with more than 12 million United Methodist's** to invest in strong leadership, quality education, and building new United Methodist communities around the world. Like multiplying loaves and fishes, together we do more to fill communities with overflowing signs of God's love for us through Jesus.

**In this account, Jesus doesn't feed the people. He trusts the disciples to find a way.**

What does that look like today through our own discipleship? We can pursue the God sized vision for this church, confident that we have the resources we need. And when each of our gifts joins with others, we experience unlimited possibility.

**Jesus trusts and empowers his disciples to feed the people.**

There is a mission field beyond these walls and through our gifts we can offer them Christ.

As you consider and give thanks for what God has blessed you with, **imagine the possibilities for how your gifts can impact this church, the community, and God's world.**



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