Taking It Home:

What am I _____

for?

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Matthew 5:6 (NIV)

See also: Isaiah 55:1-3

Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God." John 6:68 (NIV)

What do I to

Then the LORD said to him, "What is that in your hand?" Exodus 4:2a (NIV)

Is _____

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For <u>the Son of Man came</u> to seek and to save the lost. Luke 19:10 (NIV)

<u>The Son of Man came</u> eating and drinking, and you say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' Luke 7:34 (NIV)

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?" ⁶He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!" ⁸Another 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?" ¹⁰Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). ¹¹Jesus 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. ¹²When they had all had enough to eat... John 6:5-12a (NIV)

Observations:

• God ______ in placing us in positions that require total ______ upon Him.

But he answered, "You give them something to eat." They said to him, "That would take more than half a year's wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?" Mark 6:37 (NIV) And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him. Hebrews 11:6 (NLT)

• God _____ what we have, even though it is _____.

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Do not despise these small beginnings, for the LORD rejoices to see the work begin...Zechariah 4:10a (NLT)

They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. Luke 9:17 (NIV)

"I have found that there are three stages in every great work of God:						
First,	it	is	,	then	it	is
			, then it is			_!
			(Hudson Taylor)			

• God's primary _____ is the _____ of our _____.

After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." ¹⁵ Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself. John 6:14-15 (NIV) When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" ²⁶ Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. ²⁷ Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval." ²⁸ Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?" ²⁹ Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent." John 6:25-29 ((NIV)

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ³⁶ But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. John 6:35-36 (NIV)

• God offers _____ to everyone through _____.

For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day." ⁴¹At this the Jews there began to grumble about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." John 6:40-41 (NIV)

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." I Corinthians 11:23-24 NIV)

Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. John 6:57 (NIV)

From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. ⁶⁷ "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." John 6:66-68 (NIV)