

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: May 20, 2018
Mark 6:30-44

1. What had the apostles been doing before this passage, according to 6:6b-13? _____

2. What did they do in 6:30? _____
3. How do you think we apply (or could apply) this practice in our church? _____

4. What happened in 6:31-32?
 - a. It seems that the disciples are having the same “problem” that Jesus was having with crowds gathering around everywhere they went.
 - b. Again, ministry is getting in the way of lunch!
 - c. Jesus took his disciples on a “retreat” to a quiet place for rest.
 - d. They headed to a solitary place...by boat, so it was harder to follow!
5. What happened when they tried to get away, according to 6:33-34?
 - a. People recognized them and ran ahead and followed them anyway.
 - b. By the time they landed, there was already a large crowd.
 - c. Jesus had compassion on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd.
 - d. Jesus began to teach the people, even though they were trying to get away alone to rest and eat.
6. How would you feel if somebody called you a sheep without a shepherd?
 - a. That sounds like a complement to me.
 - b. Well, I guess it depends on how he said it.
 - c. Well, I guess it depends on whether or not it is true.
 - d. Well, if he is willing to help, I guess I’ll take it.
 - e. Humbled. Thankful.
7. What happened in 6:35-36?
 - a. It was late in the day.
 - b. The disciples told Jesus that he should send everybody home.
8. What do you think about the disciples’ response in verses 6:35-36?
 - a. It sounds like they really cared about the people and didn’t want them to go hungry.
 - b. It sounds like they were missing the Jesus-alone time they were supposed to be getting.
 - c. You know, the whole point of getting away was so that they could eat and rest in peace without the crowds gathered around. Isn’t this enough already.
 - d. I wonder if they had the same compassion for the crowds that Jesus had when he looked at them...
9. How did Jesus respond to the disciples in 6:37? _____
10. What do you think the results of Jesus’ miracle were?
 - a. Well, people ate.
 - b. I wonder if this miracle had more to do with the disciples than it had to do with the people who ate...
11. What could you learn from this that might help you be a better “apostle” sent to minister to our world? _____