



## Sharing Meals Life Group Questions – Sept 4, 2022

### Connect

1. What are some of your favorite foods, and when did you begin enjoying them?

### Learn

2. Read Luke 9:10-17. NOTE: This miracle is found in all 4 gospels (Mt 14; Mk 6; Lk 9 & Jn 6). Weary from teaching/healing (9:1-6), Jesus and His disciples attempt to withdraw from the crowds, but when the crowds learn about it and follow after Him, how does Jesus respond?

### Apply

3. In what ways does Jesus practice a spirit of hospitality in Luke 9:10-17? List them.
4. The disciples want to send the crowds away (9:12). When you think of Jesus calling you to share a meal with someone who may not yet know/trust Him, what objections or pushback do you have?
5. Jesus shocks His disciples, “You give them something to eat.” How do they respond (9:13)?
6. Jesus takes what they have (5 loaves, 2 fish), blesses it and gives it back to them to give to others. Without comparing, as you think of sharing coffee, dessert or a meal with someone, what do you have that you can place in Jesus’ hands? And who could/would you share it with?
7. Discuss how your small group might team up to host a meal for others (a family in crisis or perhaps the lonely or homeless). What would be the risks and rewards of such a venture?

### Care and Pray

We ask our groups to focus on **3 simple practices: to care, learn and pray together.** Please make time before departing to check in with each other and pray for one another.