

## Journey with Jesus

### STUDY 7      Luke 9:1-50      Seeing and responding to Jesus glory

As a community we want to draw near to Jesus Christ, as we seek spiritual renewal together from God. We want to be with Jesus, become like him and share his news with others. We are inviting everyone to join in!

Jesus continues to proclaim the good news that he is God's anointed King (see 4:17-21, 43). This chapter in Luke's gospel looks closely at what it means to live fruitful and faithful lives in his kingdom.

- v. 1-6                      This is the first time in Luke's gospel that Jesus 'gave' his power and authority to his 12 apostles. **How does the simplicity Jesus commands help them fulfil his mission?**
- v. 7-10                    Sending out the apostles in this way will have multiplied the number of people touch by Jesus and his mission as the King anointed by God ('Messiah', see 4:17-21). **What are the different opinions going round about who Jesus is? Why is Herod puzzled?**
- v. 11-17                    When the apostles return from their mini-missions, Jesus takes them on retreat. When the crowds follow, Jesus welcomes them and gives a sign pointing to who he truly is.  
  
The miracle of feeding the 5,000 is a powerful act that echoes how God provided for his people in the Old Testament and the future God promised. **How does each Old Testament passage help us understand what God is doing in Jesus?**

OT passage	Summary	How does this help us understand Jesus' feeding miracle?
Exodus 16	God provided manna to the Israelites in the wilderness when they were hungry and without resources.	
Deuteronomy 18:15-18	Moses foretells that God would raise up a prophet like him for Israel.	
2 Kings 4:42-44	The prophet Elisha multiplied twenty loaves of barley to feed a hundred men, with leftovers.	
Isaiah 25:6-9	Isaiah speaks of a feast prepared by the Lord on Mount Zion, a vision of abundant provision and celebration.	
Psalms 23:1-5	Describes God as a shepherd who provides for and leads His people to green pastures	

- v. 18-27                    Peter sees and confesses for the first time who Jesus truly is. **How must Jesus' identity and calling impact and shape how we follow him?**
- v. 28-36                    God now shows the disciples Jesus' true glory. **Where have we heard God declare this before** (see Luke 3:21-22). **Why did they need to see Jesus with this clarity at this point?** (see 9:51)
- v. 37-45                    **What don't the disciples see, understand or trust at this point?**
- v. 46-50                    **How does Jesus redefine the world's definition of greatness?**
- Discuss                    **How does this teaching impact our own lives and mission as a church?**