The King and the Crowd
John 6:1-15
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Discussion Questions - These are a conversation starter and guide, not a script.

1. In Mark 6:31-34, how did Jesus respond to the crowd interrupting His plans for His disciples? See also Matthew 14:14 and Luke 9:11. What does this tell us about Jesus' heart for His people?

2. John 6:6 tells us that Jesus tested Philip. What was this test and how did Philip and Andrew fare with the test? In what way have you experienced a similar test? How do we often look to human solutions for problems that only God can solve?

3. Andrew thought that a little boy's meal was totally insufficient for the need. Why does Jesus delight to use that which is considered small and insignificant to display His glory? How have you seen Him do this? See 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

4. What was wrong, and even ironic, with the crowd planning to *force* Jesus to become king? How do we see this kind of misguided zeal for Jesus today? How does this passage teach us that *submission* to Jesus is the key to experiencing His shepherding blessings in our lives?

5. How have you recently experienced Jesus' total shepherding care for you?