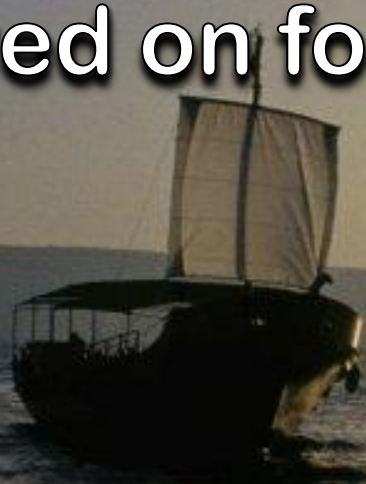


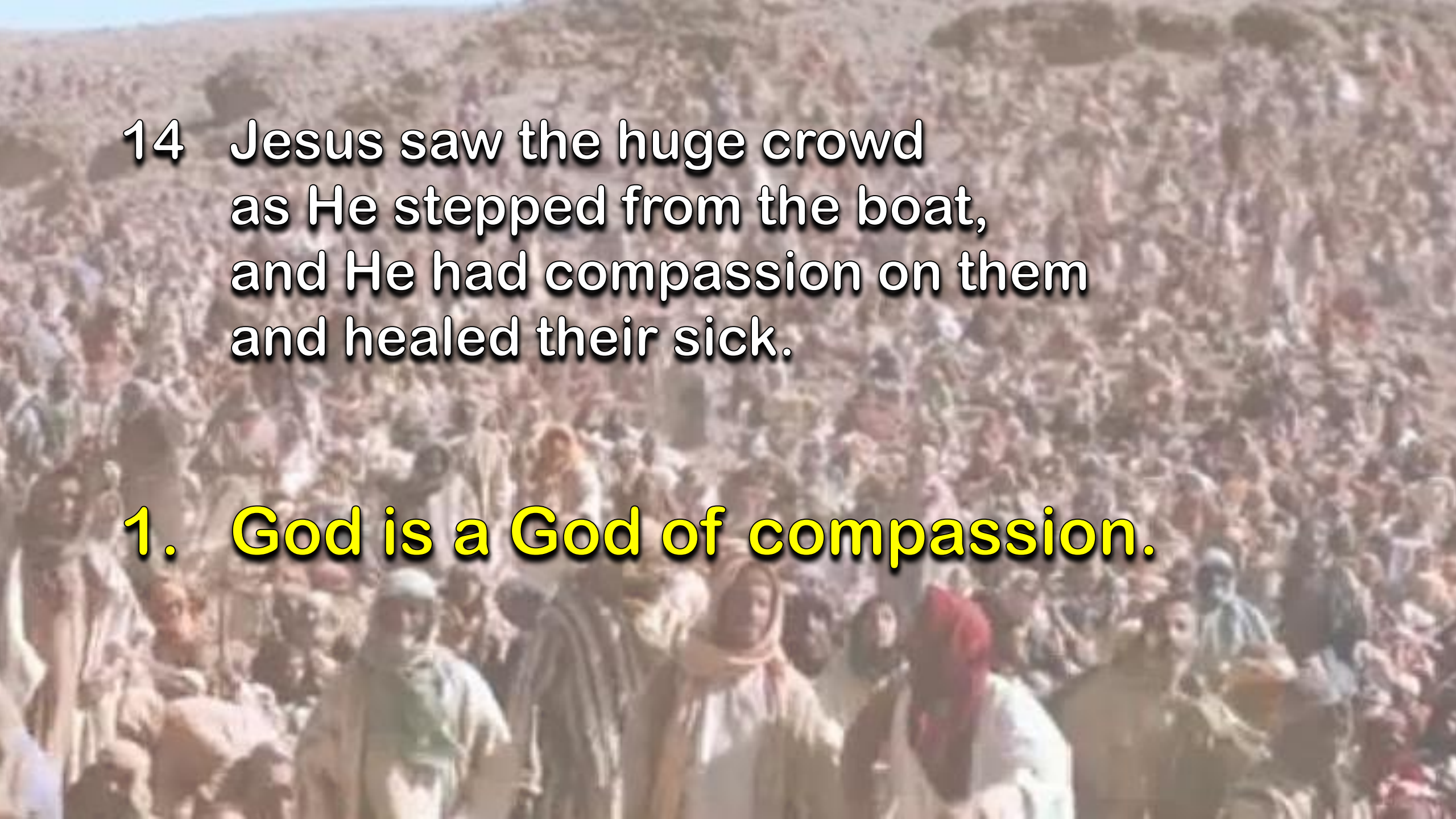
Matthew 13:12-21 NLT

Jesus Feeds Five Thousand



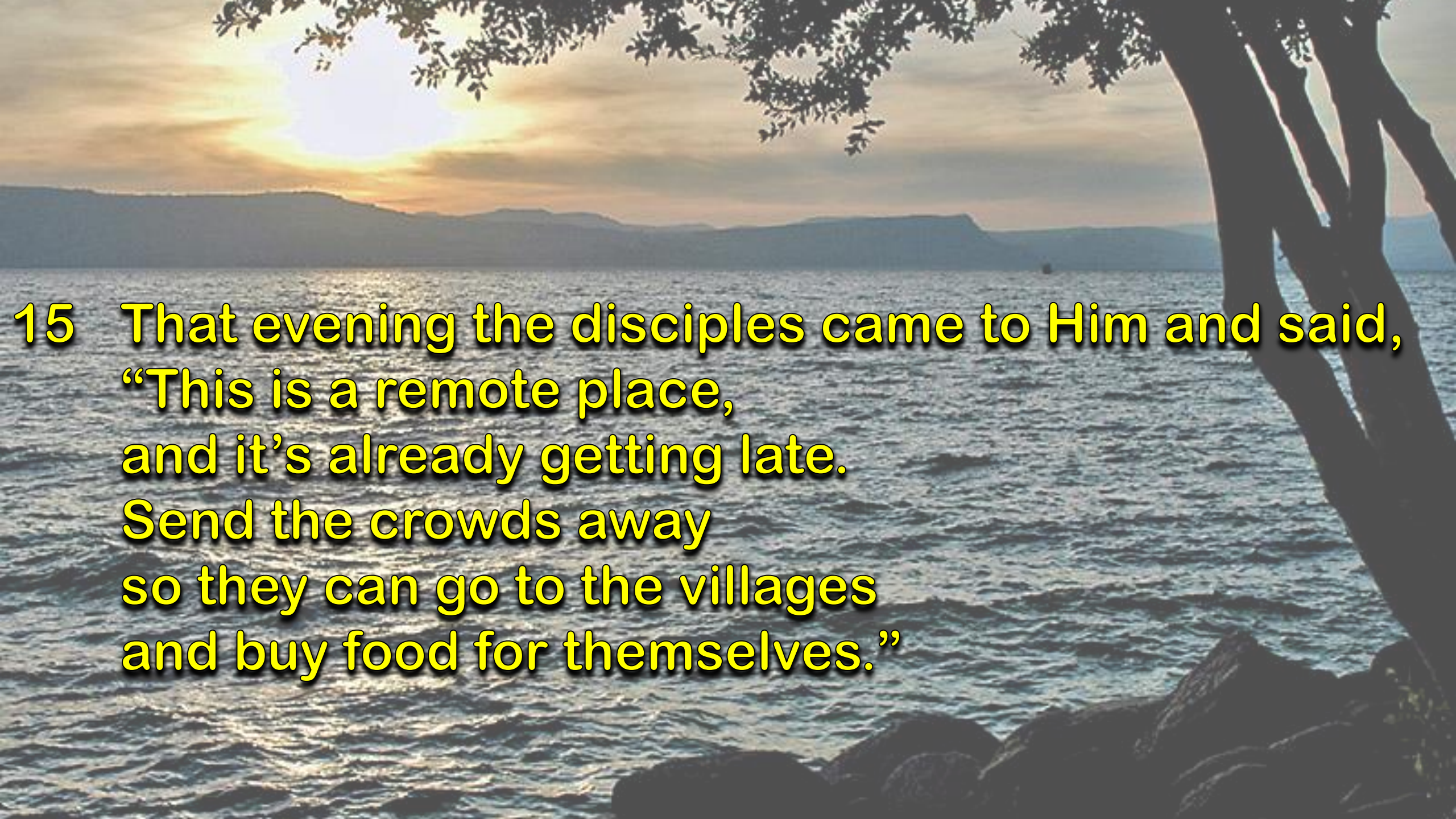
13 As soon as Jesus heard the news,
He left in a boat to a remote area to be alone.
But the crowds heard where He was headed
and followed on foot from many towns.



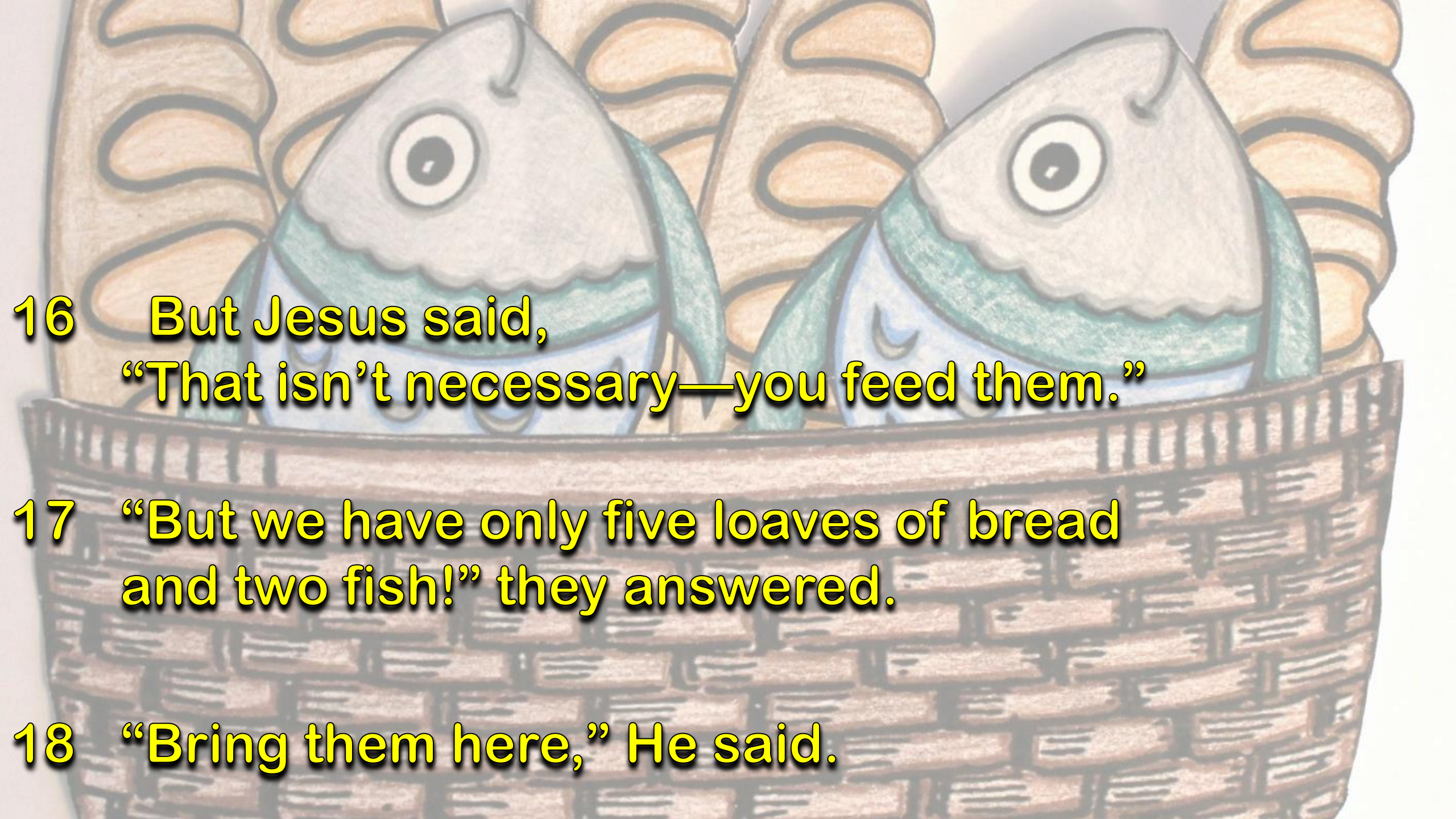
A large, dense crowd of people, likely a biblical scene, filling the background. The people are dressed in simple, earth-toned clothing. The scene is set outdoors, possibly in a field or a large gathering place. The text is overlaid on the upper portion of the image.

14 Jesus saw the huge crowd
as He stepped from the boat,
and He had compassion on them
and healed their sick.

1. **God is a God of compassion.**

A scenic view of a lake at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a golden glow over the water and the sky. In the background, there are dark, silhouetted mountains. In the foreground, the dark trunk and branches of a tree are visible on the right side. The water is dark blue with some ripples. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

**15 That evening the disciples came to Him and said,
“This is a remote place,
and it’s already getting late.
Send the crowds away
so they can go to the villages
and buy food for themselves.”**

An illustration of two cartoonish fish with large eyes and blue bodies, sitting inside a woven brown basket. In the background, several golden-brown bread loaves are visible, suggesting a scene of feeding. The text is overlaid on the image in a yellow, bold font with a black outline.

16 But Jesus said,
“That isn’t necessary—you feed them.”

17 “But we have only five loaves of bread
and two fish!” they answered.

18 “Bring them here,” He said.

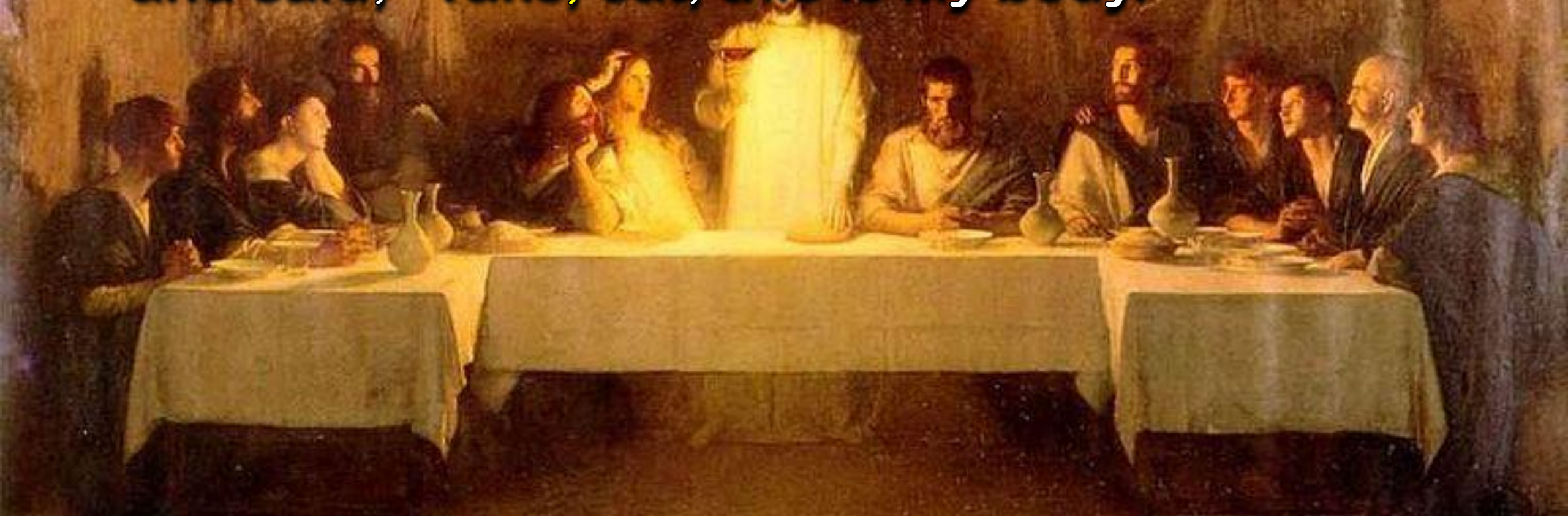


19 Then He told the people to **sit down** on the grass. Jesus **took the five loaves** and two fish, looked up toward heaven, and **blessed them**.

Then, **breaking the loaves** into pieces, He **gave the bread** to the disciples, who distributed it to the people.

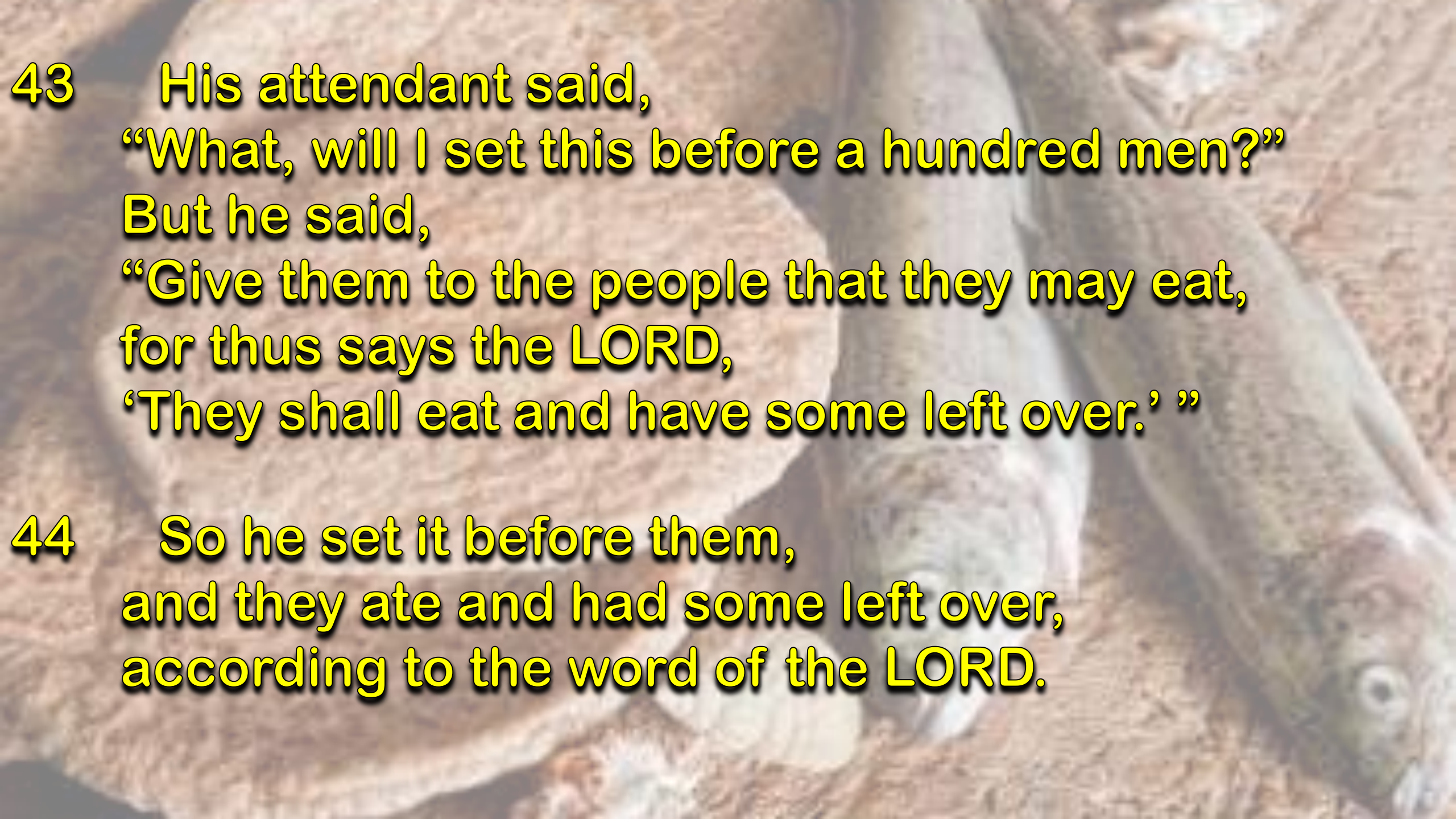
Matthew 26:26

26 While they were eating, Jesus **took some bread,** and after **a blessing,** He broke it and **gave it to the disciples,** and said, **“Take, eat; this is My body.”**



2 Kings 4:42–44 Prophet Elisha

42 Now a man came from Baal-shalishah, and brought the man of God bread of the first fruits, twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. And he said, “Give them to the people that they may eat.”



43 His attendant said,
“What, will I set this before a hundred men?”
But he said,
“Give them to the people that they may eat,
for thus says the LORD,
‘They shall eat and have some left over.’ ”

44 So he set it before them,
and they ate and had some left over,
according to the word of the LORD.

2. He's a God of miracles.

20 They all ate as much as they wanted, and afterward, the disciples picked up twelve baskets of leftovers.

21 About 5,000 men were fed that day, in addition to all the women and children!

3. He's a God of abundance.

3 Perspectives on Reality

King David wrote Psalm 22, 23 & 24

Psalm 22 Cross

1. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me,
from the words of my groaning?
2. O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,
and by night, but I find no rest.



Psalm 23 Crook

1. The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
2. He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
3. He leads me in paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.

Psalm 24:7-10 Crown

- 7 Open up, ancient gates! Open up, ancient doors,
and let the King of glory enter.
- 8 Who is the King of glory?
The LORD, strong and mighty; the LORD,
invincible in battle.
- 9 Open up, ancient gates! Open up, ancient doors,
and let the King of glory enter.
- 10 Who is the King of glory?
The LORD of Heaven's Armies—
He is the King of glory.



Our God is an awesome God
God of **Compassion – Miracles – Abundance**

Psalm 22 May be your song for a brief night

Psalm 23 Will be your song for morning light

Psalm 24 Will be your song for eternal Life