

Listening to God

~ John 6: 1-15 ~

In the Gospel of John Jesus' miracles are never called "miracles" and instead are referred to as "signs".

We are working our way through the 7 signs in John's Gospel and will be looking at sign #4 next. Sign #4 is Jesus feeding five thousand plus people on the hillside. As is so often the case in scripture, there is so much going on in this brief episode.

- Jesus is doing a very powerful thing in feeding people with bread.
- This episode most assuredly would have brought back memories of God feeding the Israelite's with manna in the desert as they journeyed from Egypt to the Promised Land (see Exodus 16).
- For many, bread from heaven was a sure sign of the Messiah.
- Indeed it has been said that Rabbis have said :“You’ll know it’s the Messiah if He can make bread come from heaven.”

- Jesus forever asks us to be open to new possibilities and new ways.
- Jesus forever calls us to be open to the will of God.

May we we open, receptive, and teachable, as we continue to journey in faith and follow our Lord Jesus Christ.