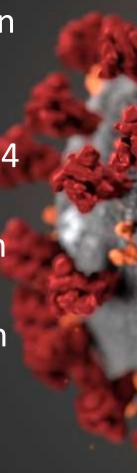


### Matthew 14:13-21

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

15 That evening the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late.



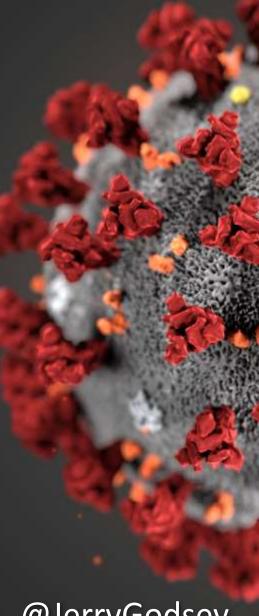


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Send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves." 16 But Jesus said, "That isn't necessary you feed them."

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

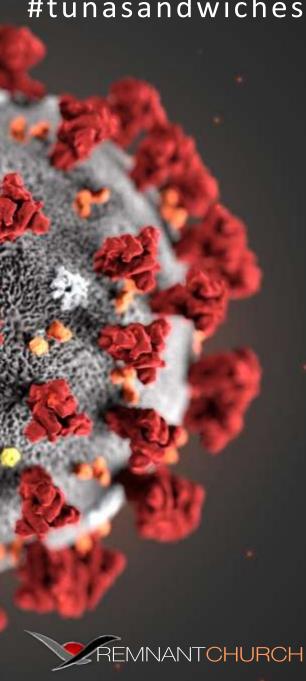
18 "Bring them here," he said. 19 Then he told the people to sit down on the grass. Jesus took the five loaves and



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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. 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!

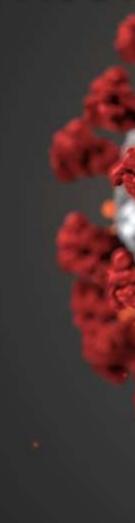




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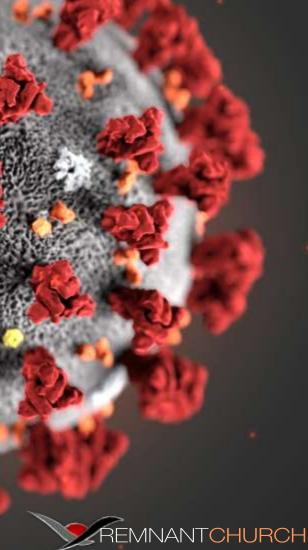
literally to be moved in the heart of one's emotions.





He is compassionate because of who he is, not because of who you are.



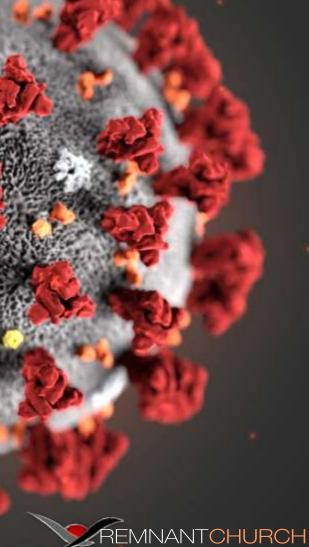


Even if you "brought it on yourself" — he still has compassion for you.

#### Matthew 14:19-20

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





They told the story to show the creative, compassionate, miracleworking power of God.

Take the resources you have—
even if they're embarrassingly
small—and offer them up to
God, and begin using them.



He's a God of compassion: He cares about what you're going through.

He's a God of miracles: He has the power to do something about it.

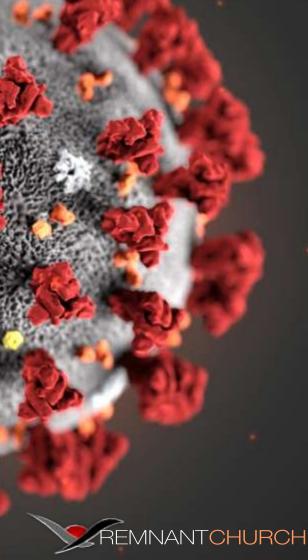


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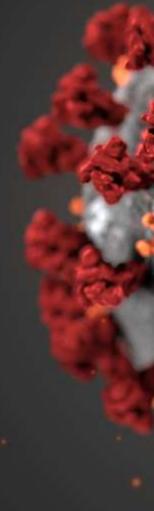




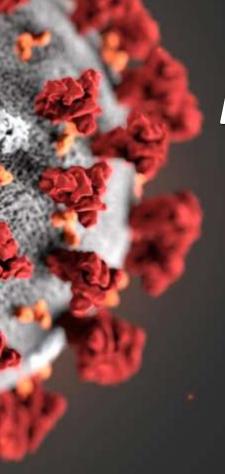
There's a difference between abundance and extravagance.

#### John 10:10

The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.







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