"The Feeding of the 5000" Luke 9:10-17

"Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, *many believed in His name* when they *saw the signs* that He was doing. But *Jesus on His part did not entrust Himself to them*, because He knew all people and needed no one to bear witness about man, for *He Himself knew what was in man*."

(John 2:23-25)

"They answered Him, 'Abraham is our father.' Jesus said to them, 'If you were Abraham's children, you would be doing the works Abraham did, but now you seek to kill Me, a man who has told you the truth that I heard from God. This is not what Abraham did....Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason you do not hear them is that you are not of God.'" (John 8:39-40,47)

"After this many of His disciples turned back and no longer walked with Him. So Jesus said to the twelve, 'Do you want to go away as well?' Simon Peter answered Him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that You are the holy one of God.'"

(John 6:66-69)

- Luke 9:10-17:
 - "They returned to Jesus and told Him all that they had done and taught." (Mark 6:30)
 - "And He (Jesus) said to them, 'Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest awhile."
 (Mark 6:30-31)
 - Bethsaida means "house of fish" and was the hometown of Peter, Andrew, and Philip (John 1:44).
 - The crowds were following Jesus because of the signs that He was doing (John 6:2).
 - "Jesus spoke to them of the kingdom of God and cured those who had need of healing."
 - The spiritual rule of God in our lives through repentance (Mark 6:12).
 - The sovereign rule of God over all things (Matthew 10:7-8).
 - The physical rule of Christ during His Millennial Reign.
 - "He had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd...." (Mark 6:34)
 - "He said this to test him (them), for He Himself knew what He would do." (John 6:6) "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." (John 6:7)
 - "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish." (John 6:9)
 - "And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children." (Matthew 14:21)
 - "As much as they wanted. And when they had eaten their fill." (John 6:11-12)
 - "When the people saw the sign that He had done, they said, 'This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!' Perceiving then they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by Himself." (John 6:14-15)

Announcements:

- ★DONATIONS: Throughout the month of September we are collecting monetary donations for the Christian Union Co-op. This is the general fund out of which the denomination aids individual churches within the denomination, as well as paying for repairs and upkeep of the State Home Office. The money we are collecting will go directly towards repairs that need to be done to the grounds and to the kitchen. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is for Christian Union. *TODAY* is the LAST day for this collection! ★FELLOWSHIP LUNCH: We are having a Fellowship NEXT Sunday, October 6th, immediately following the worship service. There is a sign-up list on the table in the entryway, please sign-up to bring something for the meal! EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us!
- ★BAPTISMS: Our next Baptism Service will be on Sunday, October 13th. If you are interested in being baptized or if you have any questions about baptism, please see Pastor Jeremey or one of the other Elders.
- ★ <u>COMMUNION:</u> We will be celebrating and partaking of Communion together as a church body NEXT Sunday, October 6th
- ★<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:</u> We have two different ministries that are in need of some volunteers:
 - The Maintenance Ministry is looking for two to three people to join the ministry to help with the set-up and teardown for services and fellowship meals. If you are interested in serving in this ministry or have any questions about serving in this ministry, please see Hunter Ardrey.
 - The Children's Ministry is also looking for some volunteers. If you are interested in serving in this ministry or have any questions about serving in this ministry, please see Kalen or Courtney Dees.