

More Than Miracles

Conversation Starters

- Tell the group what your favorite type of bread is and the best way to eat it.
- If you could have a lifetime supply of one cereal, which would you choose?
- Pick one baby animal to be a “mother” to for one day: an elephant, tiger, gorilla, gazelle, or a giraffe.

Review

Ask eGroup members to share their favorite points from the sermon, what spoke to them, a phrase or moment from the sermon they related to the most, or questions they have. If members have a hard time recalling the sermon, talk through your notes and share your favorite points.

Make It Personal

- A stranger asks you to describe who Jesus is in one sentence. What would you say?
- Read John 6:31-35. Who is Jesus to you? Describe your relationship with Him.
- Have you ever been disappointed because following Jesus didn't turn out the way you thought it would? What were you expecting, and what actually happened?
- Read Genesis 16:1-3. Sarai had expected to have children by this point in her life. How do you identify with her decision to do whatever it took to satisfy her expectations? What's something in your life right now that isn't matching the expectations you had? (*What tensions are you facing because you're holding onto those expectations? Talk about how you've responded to that situation.*)
 - What would it look like for you to let go of your expectation and turn it over to Jesus? (*What does it mean to you to embrace God's plan in your life?*) Share some

practical ways you could do that.

- Jesus is more than miracles. Why do we sometimes look for miracles instead of trying to follow Jesus? Are there any ways you've been doing that? (*Have you been looking for what He's doing for you instead of what He's doing in you or around you?*)
- What are some things you've been depending on to fill you up that don't satisfy you? (*e.g., gossip, people, unhealthy habits, distractions, etc.*) Why do you keep going back to those sources?
- Jesus is the bread that satisfies our soul. That bread is **now**, **normal**, **near**, and **new**. Which of those four areas is easiest for you to recognize God's bread in? Which one is most difficult? (*Use the questions below for each "N" to take the discussion deeper.*)
 - **Now** — Where does God have bread right in front of you, but you aren't accessing it? What can you do to access it?
 - **Normal** — Where in your life are you NOT expecting to hear God speak? What are some ways you can start looking for Him in "normal"?
 - **Near** — Where have you been too busy to hear from God? What can you do to slow down and listen?
 - **New** — Where are you unwilling to accept new? What's a step you can take toward progress?

Act On It

Think about the "N" that's most difficult for you. Focus on finding bread in that area this week, and reflect on how it changes your relationship with Jesus.

Prayer Requests And Prayer

Ask eGroup members to share any prayer requests they have. Record any notes or prayer requests to pray for members during the week.

Father, thank You for sending a Savior who is more than miracles — one who supplies all the



bread we need to be satisfied. This week, help us access that bread. Develop new mindsets and habits in us that grow our relationship with Jesus and feed our souls. In Jesus' name, amen.