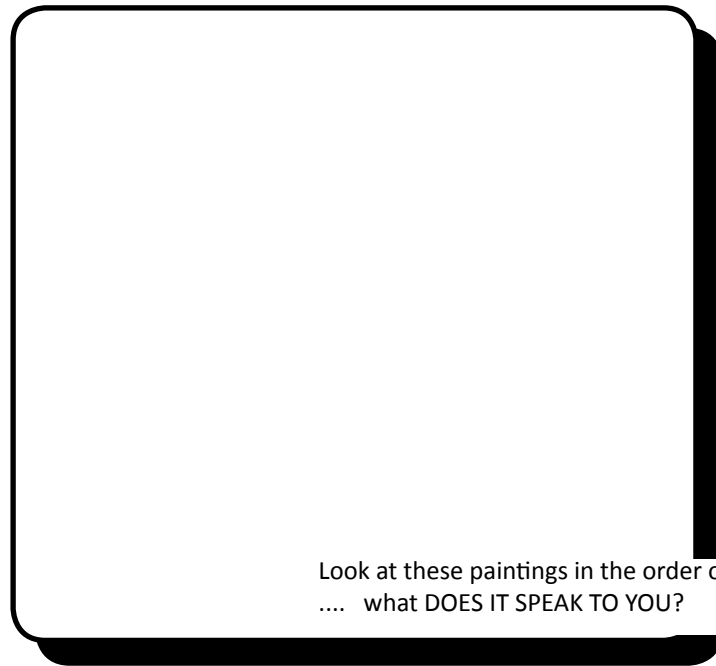


Looking Back @ The Crowds

Ministry From A Different Point Of View



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.... what DOES IT SPEAK TO YOU?

WORD & WORLD

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What is the condition of your part of the world? What are **PRESSING NEEDS**? How is the **WORD** touching / not touching these situations?

Let thoughts come into your mind as you explore these concerns [you can write your thought on the empty spaces on this sheet].

As you think about where you come from, what 3 **URGENT ISSUES /CONDITIONS/NEEDS** tap upon your heart, in your part of the world?

Who are 3 **PEOPLE** (or groups) who need your ministry / your encouragement [in the context of SE]?

Person 1

Person 2

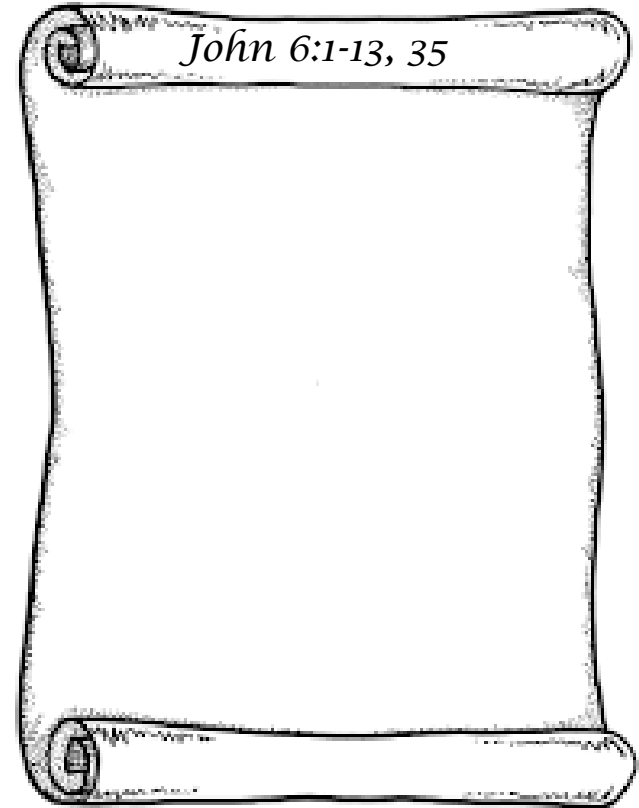
Issue 1

Issue 2

Issue 3

Person 3

Issue 4



As you ponder on the issues / conditions of your world, let the words of John 6:1-13, 35 water your heart.

Spend some time hearing these words twice, if not thrice. What **RESONATES WITH YOU**? Jot it down in the space above.

Read John 6:1-16; 35

Today, these words are spoken against the CANVAS OF OUR SCRIPTURE ENGAGEMENT MINISTRY in IFES. We are serving in the midst of many hungers and many needs. Stand with these verses, and **explore how each of these make you feel.**

After a series of significant run ins with the Jewish leaders, Jesus yet again encounters the hungry crowd ~ hungry for miracles, hungry for signs, hungry for a king!

<p>.. “Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him,” (v5)</p>	
<p>.. “..... Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?” (v5)</p>	
<p>.. “He asked this question only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.” (v6)</p>	
<p>.. “Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?” (v9)</p>	
<p>.. “Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same for the fish.” (v11)</p>	
<p>.. “..... I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty” (vs 35)</p>	

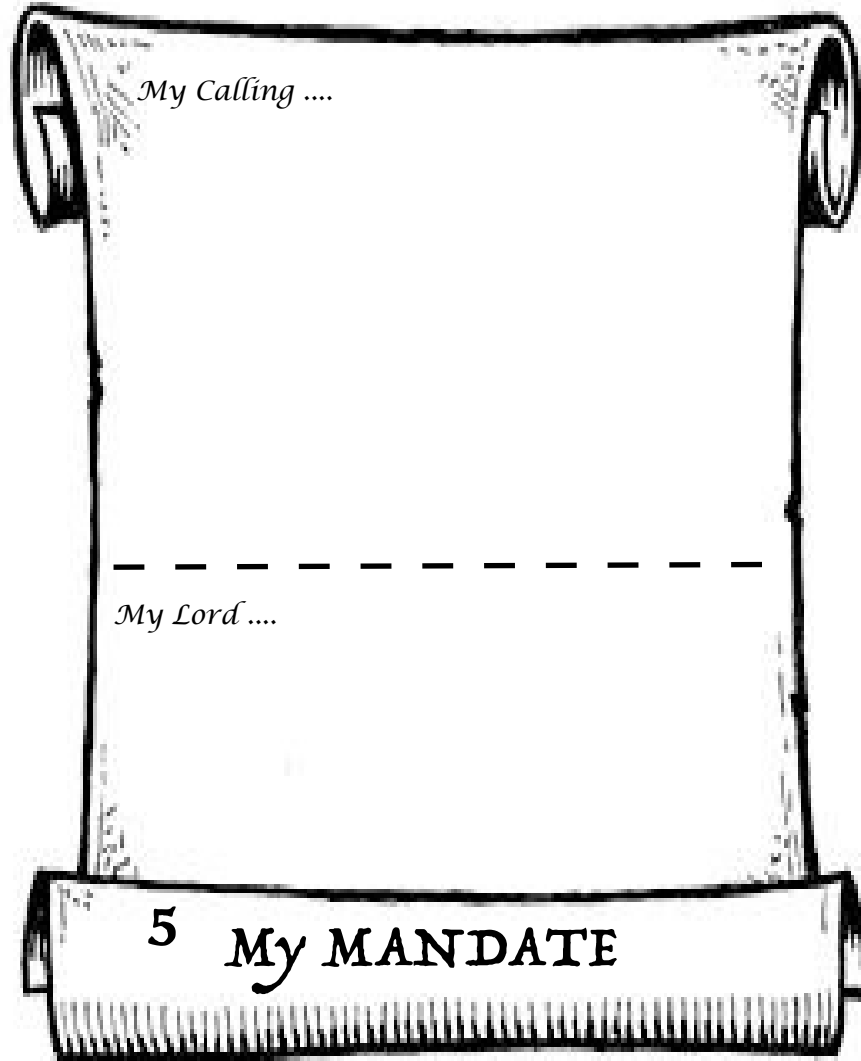
1. Put yourself in Philip’s shoes, and then put yourself in Andrew’s shoes. WHAT SIMILAR FEELINGS are arising in you as you see the “crowds” in IFES?

2. What is JESUS INVITING YOU TO, as you look at Him?

Do this, in the last 20 minutes of your time of reflection.

As the Word watered your soul and you looked at your world, ... what is falling into place? How is the LORD CALLING YOU to be a SCRIPTURE ENGAGEMENT catalyst? List them down in as specific ways as you can

Also, WHO IS THE LORD WANTING TO BE for you, as you serve?



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