

The Paralysis Of Analysis Discussion Guide

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2. What is the difference between the way Jesus looked on the crowd and the way the disciples viewed them?
3. Why would Jesus tell the disciples, "You give them something to eat" (v. 37)? How did the disciples respond?
4. What would you feel as a disciple when you gathered the leftovers? What was the lesson to be learned?

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 - A. Go on a mission trip
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 - C. Mentor a "troubled" youth
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