

## Five-Minute Finances – God's Economy



### Watch the Video

If you haven't already done so, watch the [God's Economy](#) video by scanning the QR code above or by going to [FiveMinuteFinances.org](http://FiveMinuteFinances.org).



### Prayer

Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as you begin reading passages of Scripture. Ask for clarity and insight as you engage in God's word.



### Scripture Reading- John 6:1-15

"After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup> And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. <sup>3</sup> Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. <sup>4</sup> Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. <sup>5</sup> Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" <sup>6</sup> He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. <sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." <sup>8</sup> One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup> "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" <sup>10</sup> Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. <sup>11</sup> Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup> And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." <sup>13</sup> So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup> When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

<sup>15</sup> Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself."



## Observation

1. What do these verses say about...

*The crowd?*

*Philip?*

*Andrew?*

*Jesus?*



## Interpretation

2. Why do you think Jesus may have been testing Philip?

3. How have you experienced Jesus testing you?

4. How have you seen Jesus take an almost impossible situation and use it for His glory?



### **Application**

5. Who are people in your life that may be feeling overwhelmed because of a seemingly impossible financial situation?

6. What are some ways that you could help them experience God's economy?



## Continue your Journey...

Financial discipleship is more than getting on a budget, getting out of debt or having your financial house in order. Financial discipleship is about helping people follow Jesus, make disciples and glorify God in the area of money and possessions.

If you would like to continue growing on your financial discipleship journey, we'd encourage you to go to [ContinueGrowing.org](https://ContinueGrowing.org).

If you would like to help others on their financial discipleship journey, we'd encourage you to go to [HelpOthersGrow.org](https://HelpOthersGrow.org).

Thanks for taking the time to go through this devotional! We pray the Lord would draw you ever closer to Him as you continue on your financial discipleship journey!

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