

They Need Not Go Away

Matthew 14:13-21

3 Movements

- I. You give them something to eat (16)
 - A. Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)
 - B. Rich Young Ruler (Matt 19:16-22)
 - C. Peter asking about forgiveness (Matt 18:21-35)
- II. Bring them here to me (18)

Galatians 6:2 ESV

Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

James 2:15-16 ESV

15 If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food,
16 and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

1 John 3:17-18 ESV

17 But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?
18 Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

I fear there are some Christians among you to whom Christ can say no such thing ["Come thou blessed... inherit the kingdom"]. Your haughty dwelling rises in the midst of thousands who have scarce a fire to warm themselves at, and have but little clothing to keep out the biting frost; and yet you never darkened their door. You heave a sigh, perhaps, at a distance; but you do not visit them. Ah! My dear friend! I am concerned for the poor but more for you.

I know not what Christ will say to you in the great day.... I know [now] well that they are not Christians, because they do not love to give. To give largely and liberally, not grudging at all, requires a new heart; an old heart would rather part with its life-blood than its money. Oh my friends! Enjoy your money; make the most of it; give none away; enjoy it quickly for I can tell you, you will be beggars throughout eternity.

--Robert Murray M'Cheyne

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III. The miracle itself (19-21)

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