**Jesus, Our Good Shepherd**

Mark 6:30-44 (Key Verse 6:34)

*When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.*

1. Why were the disciples called "apostles"? (30) What were they reporting to Jesus? Why did Jesus ask them to go to a quiet place and get some rest? (31) Why could not they get any rest? (32, 33) How might the disciples felt about the crowd?
2. How did Jesus feel about them? (34) Why? What did he do first? Why? What was their real need?
3. What was the disciples’ reasonable suggestion? (35-36) What does this reveal about them? What did Jesus command them? (37) Why was it difficult for them to obey, considering their circumstances? Why do you think Jesus gave such a command to his disciples?
4. How did the disciples react? (37b) Why? What did Jesus ask for? (38) What did they have? From this passage, what can you say about what the Lord wants from us? (37b) Think about the great things we can do, and what kind of lives we can live?
5. How did Jesus get his disciples to participate? (39,40) What did Jesus do? (41) How did the disciples participate? (42-43) How many people ate and were satisfied? (44) What did Jesus want his disciples to learn about himself? About how they must do God’s work?