

YOUR POSITION WILL BRING YOUR PROVISION

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In this story we see that a large crowd had followed Jesus but that due to the time and the location at which they were in, the disciples thought that it would be best for Jesus to send them away. The TWO reasons for this were that FIRST, the place they were in was a deserted place; a place of no hope and an isolated place, and that SECOND it was getting late; which speaks of the time.

The idea here was to send them back so that they could go and find better places where they could easily find food and provide for

themselves. From this we can highlight the fact that there is a DESERTED PLACE where JESUS HIMSELF is the Provision but there is also PRODUCTIVE PLACE where you need to provide for YOURSELF. My Question to You today is "Where would You want to BE?"

There comes a period in life when life becomes like this deserted place when there is no one around, not enough food, no income or business etc.

A place where everything stops but

see, this is the very same place where Jesus chooses to reveal Himself as the ultimate PROVISION.

Verse 16 tells us that Jesus told the disciples to not send the people away and with that we need to understand that as people of God we should only move when He tells us to and not any time sooner or later.

Just as it was with Ruth and her family who moved because of circumstances, without consulting



God or being led by Him, and death found itself waiting for them on the other side.

The second reason for the disciples wanting to send the people away was the issue of TIME. It was getting late and dark which could refer to a time when one is no longer able to be active, work or be productive which somehow triggers a sense of deadline, a sense of rush, agitation and panic.

That's why Jesus said in John 9: 4-5, "We must QUICKLY carry out the tasks assigned to us by the one who sent us. The night is coming, and then no one can work. But while I am here in the world, I am the light of the world."

Here we see that Jesus Himself mentions that as the day is ending there is a need to hurry, a need to be quick but yet again He reassures us in the next verse that as long as He is present, as long as He is with us then it will always be daytime which emphasizes on the fact that as long as Jesus Himself is present then the STATE and the TIME of the place in which you are in will never matter.

Finally in verse 19, the Bible says that Jesus commended or instructed the people to SIT DOWN on the grass before He could provide for them and this shows us the picture of the Good Shepherd we see in Psalm 23:2 which says, "He makes me to lie down in green pasture". SITTING DOWN is a position of rest and trust; it's the position we're meant to have in Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 6: 2 says that we are SEATED with Christ in the heavenly places, and again in Psalm 110:1 it says, "SIT at my right hand until I make your enemies your footstool". Sitting in the HEAVENLY provides an authority over anything and seating with Jesus allows God to make of your enemy your footstool.

Notice that the POSITION will always come before the PROVISION and so I urge You to do like Mary did in Luke 10: 40 where unlike her sister, Martha, who was worried and distracted with many other things, Mary did the ONE thing that was needed, she chose the good part, which will never be taken away from her and so she chose to SIT a Jesus' feet. Choose your POSITION well and watch yourself receive your PROVISION.

PRAYER:

Abba, My Daddy, I choose today to remain SEATED with Jesus Christ and to trust Him when He says I don't need to leave.

I refuse to be anxious and worried about many things.

As long as You are with me it's Daytime.

In Jesus name
Amen