“This is of a Truth the Prophet”

Intro: Of all the miracles worked by _________ our Lord, there is only one that is recorded in all four gospels and it is the miracle found in our text for this Lord’s Day where our Lord miraculously ______ the five _________.

A. It is no mere coincidence that from the discourse of chapter five, John takes us directly to the great miracle of chapter six. In light of the preceding discourse, a ________ such as this, which was on such a grand scale and witnessed by many thousands, and personally benefitted each and every one of those in attendance was the undeniable what _________ had predicted before the leaders in Jerusalem.

I. After His _____________ in Jerusalem, ____________ went to the more remote and less populous eastern side of the Sea of Galilee.

A. A great multitude _______________ Jesus because of the _______ He was performing, not because they believed His word.

II. Jesus deliberately took note of the ______________ multitudes that were coming to see Him for He lifted up His eyes and perceived their _________.

A. Seeing that the people were like sheep without a shepherd was moved with _______________. (Cf. Matthew 14:14; Mark 6:34)

B. Seeing that the multitude was in _______ of food, __________ determined to ________ their need.

1. In Jesus’ asking Philip where they could buy bread, the magnitude of the ________ is revealed for there was not a place to buy so much bread, so even if they sent the people away to buy their own bread they would have no place to go, And, if Jesus and His disciples had a place to buy the bread, the cost was prohibitive. The situation was humanly ________________!

2. Jesus told the disciples to gather what food they could. Andrew reported that there was a small boy who had five barley and two ________. But, underscoring the greatness of the need he stated the obvious: that such a meager portion of food was among so many.
C. ___________ received the lad’s loaves and fish and ___________ unto God!

D. Jesus ___________ the loaves ______ _________ them to the disciples to be distributed among the multitude.

E. From the provision of the ___________ own _________, everyone ate as much as they wanted!

1. When the disciples gathered up the left overs, ___________ were filled with barley loaves!

III. This miraculous sign ___________ performed was so powerful that when the people saw it, they said, "This is of a truth _____ _____________ who is to come into the world."

A. Here the multitude realized what the Jerusalem leaders refused to see, that this ___________ of Nazareth was the Prophet come into the world as ___________ ___ by ___________. (Cf. Deut. 18:15-19)

1. The multitude was so thoroughly _______________ by the evidence that Jesus was the Prophet spoken of by Moses that as verse 15 reveals, "they were intending to come and take Him by force, to _______ _______ _____."

2. This grand ___________ of feeding the five thousand which Jesus performed, was convincing _______________ of the deity of Jesus, that He is the ___________ sent from the Father.

Conclusion: John the Beloved wrote these things that we may believe that _________ ___ the ___________, the Son of God; and that believing we may have life in His name! (Cf. John 21:31) Having heard the Word of God this morning, will you in faith believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. If you will _______________, then you will _____________ ___________ in His name!