

Blessed – Brake - Gave

Jesus never does anything by chance. He is purposeful in all His actions. As we meditate on the miracle of feeding the multitudes, we notice that He completed three things before the miracle was manifested. These three actions are recorded in Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Jesus blessed, brake and gave the bread and fish before the disciples distributed the meal to the people.

Matthew 14:19 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.

Mark 6:41 And when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and brake the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before them; and the two fishes divided he among them all.

Luke 9:16 Then he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and brake, and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude.

What can we learn about Jesus and His miracles through these actions?
How do they apply to this miracle, our distributing money, and our abundant living?

Blessing

Giving thanks to God is very important, helping us remember our source of every good thing. In the blessing we are asking God's favor on the item or person for which we are thankful. Our money is blessed because He gives us power to get wealth. We are stewards of all that God have supplied to us. We are also blessed unto the service or ministry to others and the kingdom of God.

Breaking

Breaking is separating one part from another. The bread and the fish were broken in order to eat. Our monies are separated or divided for various uses. As tithes or first fruits are set apart as holy unto the Lord. When we give our time to ministry, that portion is broken or separated from our other activities and time.

Giving

The disciples gave the bread and fish to the people without strings attached such as an oath of loyalty to Jesus. The money which we give should also be a true gift for the receiver to use as they desire. The life which we have given to God's work or for the benefit of others must be given without conditions or expectations.

If we strive to remember Jesus' example of blessing, breaking, and giving when we minister and serve others, we will see the miracles come to pass before our eyes. Miracles are wonderful as they bless all who are there: givers, receivers, and spectators.
To God be the glory!