

A scenic view of a mountain valley, likely Yosemite, with a large circular graphic overlay. The text "CAN YOU SEE IT?" is prominently displayed in the center.

# CAN YOU SEE IT?

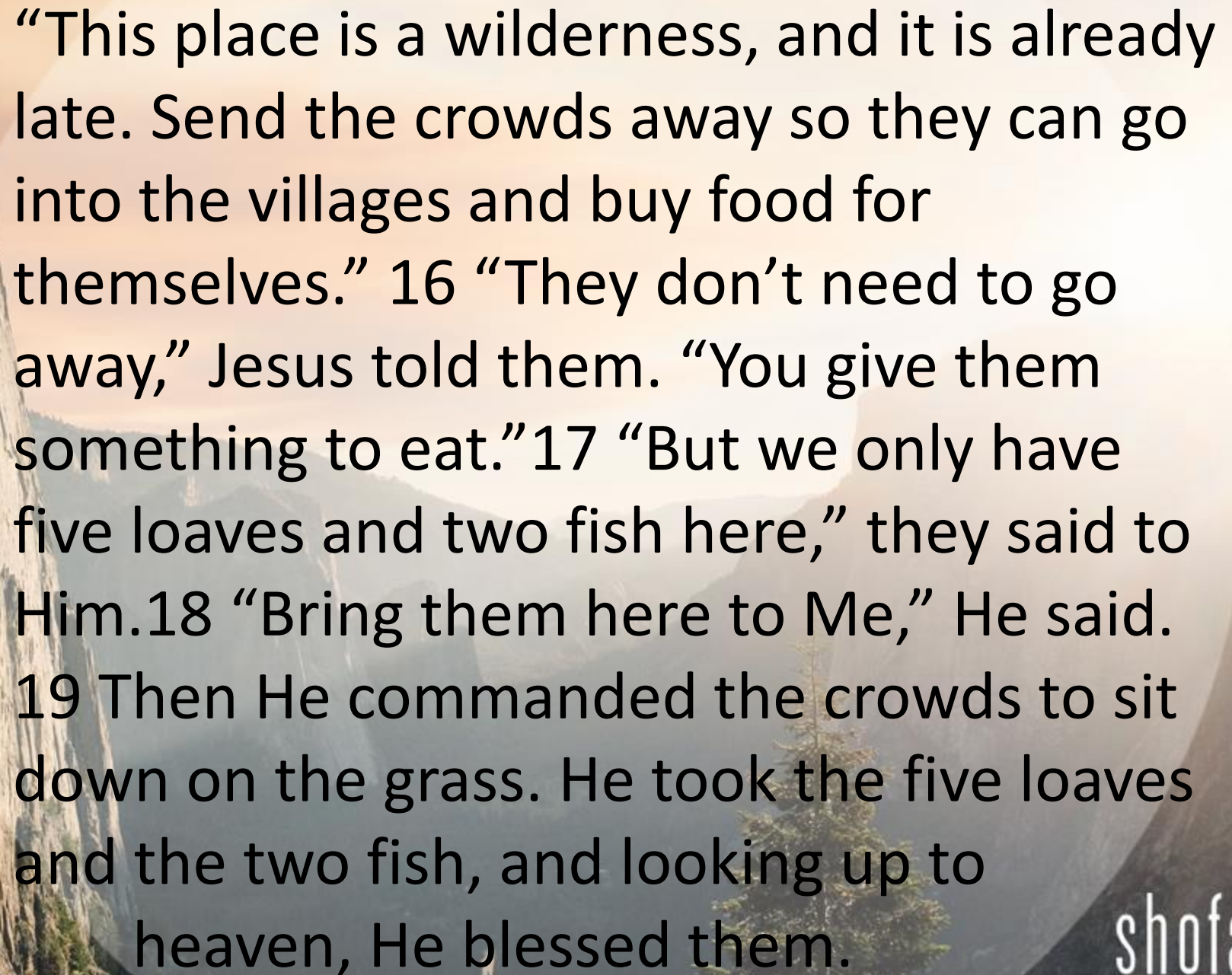
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# Intro

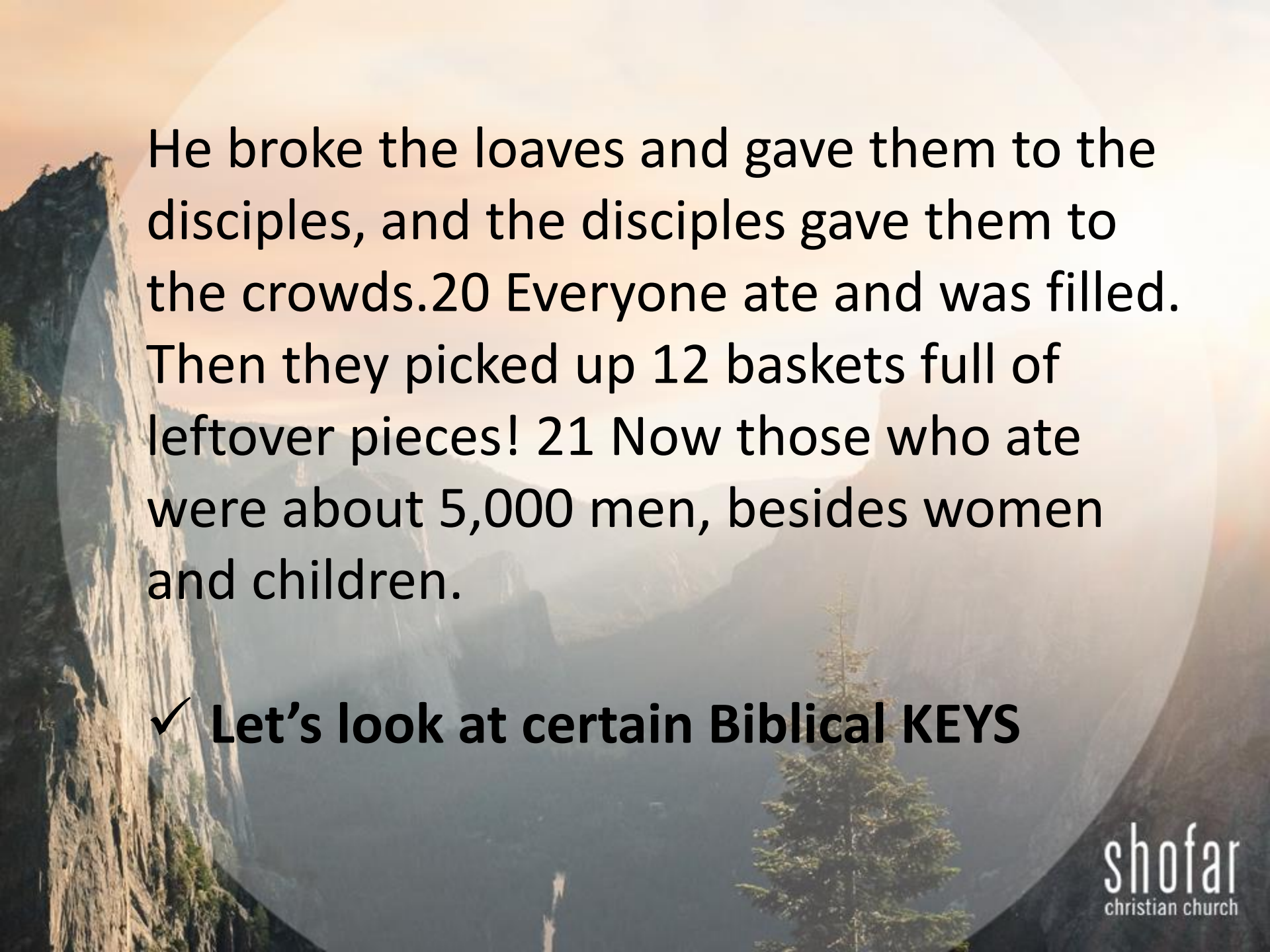
MONDAY NIGHT | In a time of  
worship God dropped a word in  
my spirit...

## 2. Seeing His ways:

**2.1 Matthew 14:13-21** [Scripture Reading]  
**Feeding 5,000** | When Jesus heard about it, He withdrew from there by boat to a remote place to be alone. When the crowds heard this, they followed Him on foot from the towns. 14 As He stepped ashore, He saw a huge crowd, felt compassion for them, and healed their sick. 15 When evening came, the disciples approached Him and said,



“This place is a wilderness, and it is already late. Send the crowds away so they can go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” 16 “They don’t need to go away,” Jesus told them. “You give them something to eat.” 17 “But we only have five loaves and two fish here,” they said to Him. 18 “Bring them here to Me,” He said. 19 Then He commanded the crowds to sit down on the grass. He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed them.

A scenic view of a mountain valley, likely Yosemite, with a large circular lens effect over the text. The background shows a steep cliff on the left and a valley with a river and trees in the distance.

He broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.<sup>20</sup> Everyone ate and was filled. Then they picked up 12 baskets full of leftover pieces! <sup>21</sup> Now those who ate were about 5,000 men, besides women and children.

✓ **Let's look at certain Biblical KEYS**

## 2.2 The Heart today:

God uses ordinary things for  
extraordinary purposes..

**‘POTENTIAL’**

problem | plan | potential | prophetic

## 2.3 'Potential': [DEFINITION]

..having or showing the capacity to develop into something in the future.

*synonyms:* possible, likely, prospective, future, probable, budding, in the making;

**Latent [HIDDEN] qualities or abilities that may be developed and lead to future success or usefulness.**

*Other synonyms:* possibilities, potentiality, prospects; promise, capability, capacity, ability, power; aptitude, talent, flair;

**2.capable of being or becoming**

# HOPE

**1. a feeling of *expectation* and desire for a particular thing to happen**

**2. a feeling of trust**

[Greek] ..includes *confidence*

**Synonyms** : aspiration, desire, wish, expectation, ambition, aim, plan, dream, daydream, pipe dream; longing, yearning, craving, hankering, promise, hopefulness, optimism, expectation, expectancy; More confidence, faith, trust, belief, conviction, assurance



## 2.4 Potential: The Loaves and Fishes and Elsewhere

- ✓ The disciples saw major problems
- ✓ Tried to remedy
- ✓ Jesus knew, Jesus saw...
- ✓ Elsewhere the character, ways, ability and heart of God confirmed - .....

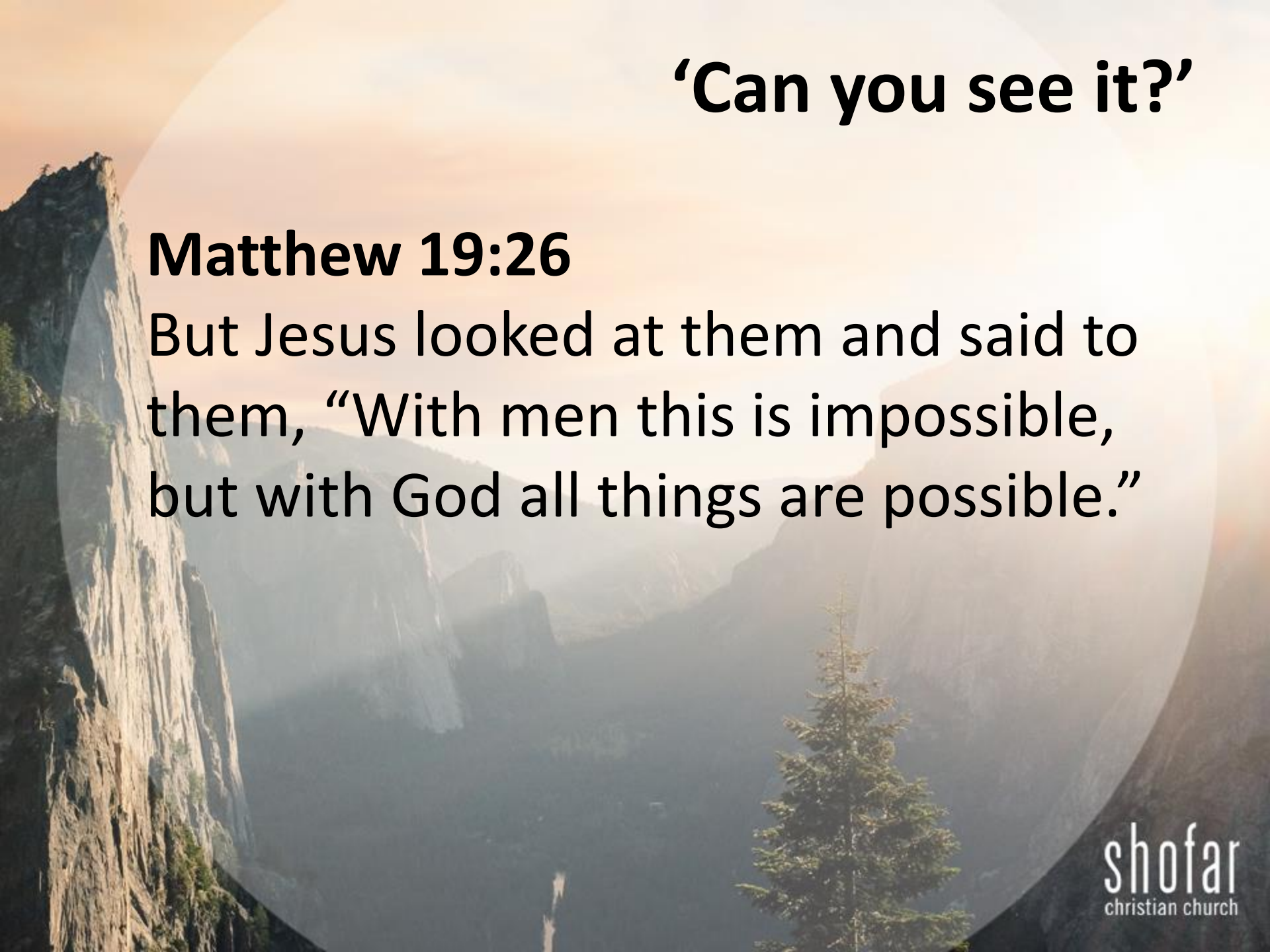
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THE LIFE OF  
MOSES



FOR  
JESUS





**‘Can you see it?’**

**Matthew 19:26**

But Jesus looked at them and said to them, “With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

### 3. What does this mean for us?

What do we make of this truth against the backdrop of the BOY with the five loaves and two fish?

Couple of important points to take home:

## 3.1 We need Him:

- ✓ God is the **X-factor**
- ✓ Supernatural
- ✓ True potential- only God

**1 John 4:4 (HCSB)** You are from God, little children, and you have conquered them, because the One who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

# Acknowledge..

## **John 3:16 ESV**

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

## **Ephesians 3:20 ESV**

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us

## 3.2 Relationship | Agency | Partnership:

**Relationship –**

Word, Prayer, History

**Partner –**

“gave . . . to his disciples to  
distribute to the people”  
(Mark 6:41)

## 3.3 Surrender [humility]:

**Proverbs 3:5-6 (HCSB)** Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding; 6 think about Him in all your ways, and He will guide you on the right paths.



### **3.3 Surrender [humility]:**

**Matthew 16:25** For if you want to save your own life, you will lose it; but if you lose your life for my sake, you will find it.

**Potential is seen and achieved through trust and yielding**

## **3.4 Obedience:**

**This is a big part where we actively subject the problem foreseen with the eyes of the flesh, to TRUTH, and in such submission seeing it changed. We now see with spiritual eyes, the GOD GIVEN POTENTIAL – which is a renewed hope by faith.**

## 3.4 Obedience:

### **James 4:7 (ESV)**

Submit yourselves therefore to God.  
Resist the devil, and he will flee from  
you.

## **3.5 Faith and hope:**

**Hebrews 11:1 (KJV)** Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

### **1 Corinthians 2:9 (NKJV)**

But as it is written: “Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.”



# POTENTIAL I Can You See It?

PRAYER