"We have no more than five loaves and two fish"

Luke 10:13

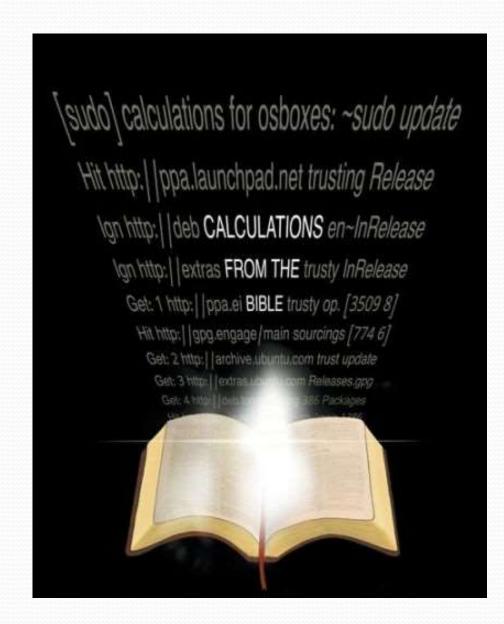


Different Ways of Calculations



HIGHLIGHTS

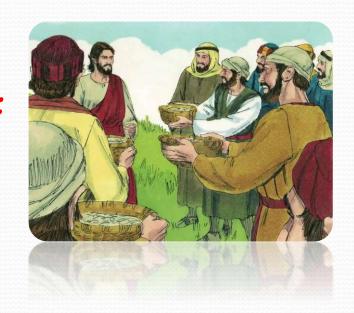
- Biblical Examples
- Life Challenges
- Lessons Learned



I. BIBLICAL EXAMPLES (1)

- The disciples in response to the assignment given to them by the Lord:
 - "We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we go and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men"

Luke 9:13-14



I. BIBLICAL EXAMPLES (2)

- The spies' reports about the Promised Land:
 - "... we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight." Numbers 13:33
 - ✓ "Then Caleb quieted the people before
 Moses, and said, 'Let us go up at once
 and take possession, for we are well
 able to overcome it." Numbers 13:30



I. BIBLICAL EXAMPLES (3)

- 3. David in front of Goliath:
 - ✓ "When Saul and all Israel heard these
 words of the Philistine, they were
 dismayed and greatly afraid" 1 Samuel 17:11
 - ✓ "David said, 'The LORD, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." 1 Samuel 17:37



I. BIBLICAL EXAMPLES (4)

- 4. Nehemiah and the difficult task:
 - "The God of heaven Himself will prosper us; therefore we His servants will arise and build"

Nehemiah 2:20



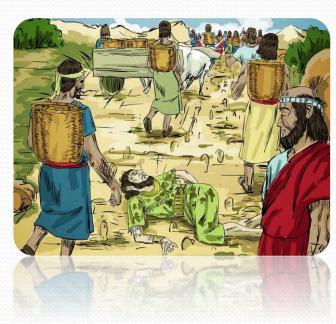
I. BIBLICAL EXAMPLES (5)

5. Elisha at the time of the famine:

✓ "Then Elisha said, 'Hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord: "Tomorrow about this time a seah of fine flour shall be sold for a shekel, and two seahs of barley for a shekel, at the gate of Samaria."

2 Kings 7:1

✓ "So an officer on whose hand the king leaned answered the man of God and said, 'Look, if the Lord would make windows in heaven, could this thing be?" 2 Kings 7:2



II. LIFE CHALLENGES (1)

- Navigating marital life and raising godly children in a corrupt and hostile world:
 - ✓ "Unless the LORD builds the house,
 They labor in vain who build it;
 Unless the LORD guards the city,
 The watchman stays awake in
 vain." Psalm 127:1



II. LIFE CHALLENGES (2)

- The ministry of the Church with limited resources and profound needs and threats
- Struggling against sin and temptations that are around us all the time



II. LIFE CHALLENGES (3)

4. Giving with limited and insufficient resources: money, time, effort, etc.



III. LESSONS LEARNED (1)

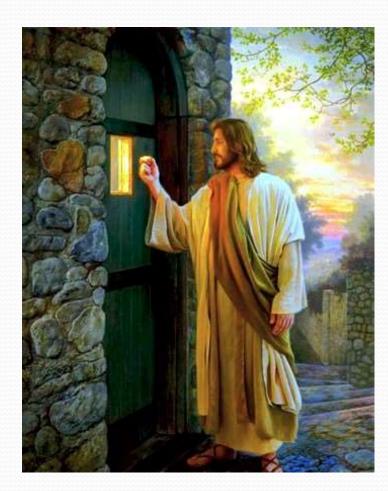
1. Building the experience when assigned a greater task:
"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"

Matthew 28:19

III. LESSONS LEARNED (2)

- 2. Setting Him always before our eyes:
 - ✓ "I have set the LORD always before me;

 Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; My flesh also will rest in hope" Psalm 16:8-9
 - Doing what keeps Him always onboard of the ship of our lives



III. LESSONS LEARNED (3)

- Even when we don't know what to do, prayers will be our refuge and the way to calculate matters before a major challenge:
 - "For we have no power against this great multitude that is coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but our eyes are upon You."



2 Chronicles 20:12

III. LESSONS LEARNED (4)

4. One calculation will lead us to a life of fear and anxiety and the other to that of hope and

confidence.

