



Week 4

Finding Your Song in Your Sorrow

Blessed - Overs

The people ate and were satisfied. Afterward the disciples picked up seven baskets full of broken pieces that were "left over." Mark 8:8



John and I differ on leftovers. For example, I actually love Thanksgiving leftovers more than the dinner itself. Though often left on the restaurant table or forgotten in the refrigerator, I take restaurant leftovers home. As a child, John was forced to eat his uneaten dinner leftovers the next morning. This food was presented on a cold plate, with a cold fork, after being refrigerated all night.

There are two separate incidents where Jesus fed a hungry crowd from a few small fish and pieces of bread. Satisfying everyone as only He can do, He fed the entire multitude, and his disciples, with just a basketful of food and even had leftovers.

Two of the most unsung heroes of the Bible are the mom who packed that lunch and the boy who shared his few small pieces.

Like the lad, we willingly take our "broken pieces" to Jesus. He blesses them, and then miracles happen. The "ripple-effect" takes place. He takes our "not enough" and not only makes it "enough" but enough with "blessed overs!"

At Heavenly Hope and Healing we bring moms a "Comfort Basket" and soon this mom is contributing a heart-made item to our basket. Paintings, antique tea cups with garden mint tea, handcrafted boxes, quilts, bookmarks, and even dog tags with children's names on them. We have so much for these baskets that we now have "blessed-overs."

Maybe your coffee with a grieving mom will turn into a support group, hiking group, or outreach group, or you might be delivering baskets yourself. Miracles happen when we bring our broken pieces to Jesus!

