Video # 2: Feasting on Life’s Leftovers

Outline

Amy shares a personal story about her depression-era grandmother not wanting to waste *anything*, including one bit of leftover blueberry topping.

Amy reflects on the bits and pieces of her own life and wonders if God can really use all of the random bits for anything at all. She then invites the audience to reflect on how they feel about God working in their lives.  
  
 **Thought:** *Can God really do anything with all of our leftover pieces?*

**Truth:** *You are NOT just leftovers!*

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Biblical story in which Jesus feeds the 5,000.

Scripture story read: **John 6:1-12**   
John 6:1-12is the story when Jesus feeds the 5,000 with five barley loaves and two fish. He performs this miracle and then, in verse 12, tells the disciples to collect the leftovers so that nothing is wasted. *Jesus takes the scarcity and makes abundance.*

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How can this apply to our own lives? Our experiences that we perceive as leftovers and not particularly useful?

Amy uses her life as an example: a broken engagement becomes compassion, a friend’s cancer because a lesson in living by faith, a move teaches about how He can provide.

***God doesn’t waste anything. He uses everything.***

God uses our circumstances *for His glory and our good.*  
Where we look and see leftovers, God creates a feast.

We are created for community and when we participate in community, the miracle of leftovers is amazing. When everyone brings the little bits that they have, we work together as the body of Christ.

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**Application Point:** How can we turn around our own thinking and see our selves and our experiences through God’s eyes?

**What we need to do:** Feast on God’s Goodness, Sufficiency and Redemption. We change our script and remind ourselves of what we know is true- and that God uses everything.

**Reinforcing thought:**  
No matter what you are going through, trust God to take the leftovers of your life and turn it into a feast.

**Question to ask the group:**  
What part of your life have you seen as a “just a leftover” that might contribute to a community feast?

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