

# HomeTouch

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**Sunday, August 3, 2008**

**Scripture Reading: Matthew 14:13-21**

**TODAY'S THOUGHT: *Love cures people — both the ones who give it and the ones who receive it.* —Dr. Karl Menninger**

The 2008 Summer Olympic Games open in Beijing this week, which means that more than 550,000 spectators from around the world are descending on the Chinese capital to watch the games. And that's not counting the 7 million tickets the Chinese government has released at low cost so that its own citizens can attend the games, or the more than 11,000 athletes who will be competing, or the 16,000 journalists who will be covering the events. That's a lot of people!

And guess what? They have to eat!

Officials estimate that the Beijing Olympics will cost more than \$40 billion, and a big chunk of that amount is for food. The Chinese government and Olympic Committee are very concerned about being able to provide good food for that many people.

Now read the Bible lesson from Matthew listed above. The disciples have a similar concern. They don't have to feed 5 million, but they do need to feed more than 5 thousand. You know the story. Food is provided.

And that's today's lesson. If you're walking with Jesus, food for the journey will always be provided. It may not look like much, but you will find that it's plenty!

**Prayer: *Lord Jesus, thank You for my daily bread that gives energy to my body, and for Your daily word which brings life to my soul! In Your name. Amen.***

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# ACTIVITY PAGE for the week of August 3, 2008

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

**Sunday:** Acts 13-14

**Monday:** 2 Kings 22-25

**Tuesday:** Obadiah

**Wednesday:** Jeremiah 1-2

**Thursday:** Jeremiah 3-5

**Friday:** Jeremiah 6-8

**Saturday:** Psalms 82-84



# AUGUST

## Verse to Remember

This week's verse to remember is presented as a cryptogram. See if you can decode the message before looking up the verse in the Bible.

**Clues: Y=T, D=I**

YKTPY    DX    YJZ    VQKR    FDYJ

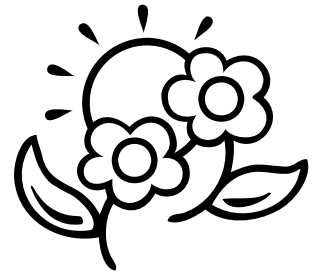
OVV    CQTK JZOKY,    OXR    RQ

XQY    KZVC    QX    CQTK    QFX

D X P D L J Y. — Proverbs 3:5

*"O give thanks to the LORD,  
call on his name, make known  
his deeds among the peoples."*

—Psalm 105:1



# WORD LADDER

At each step down, subtract one letter to form a new word. Each step has a clue.

## SWEAT

- — — — Chair
- — — Consume
- — Location
- Indefinite article

## SPINET

- — — — Backbone
- — — Twirl
- — — Brooch
- — Not out
- First person

**ANSWERS:** SWEAT— seat, eat, at, a.  
SPINET— spine, spin, pin, in, i.