Elder Delbert L. Stapley: "Here Christ informs us that he was following the example and teachings of his Father and the works which the Father had performed previously in his own experience, which proves both Father and Son possess like individual characteristics, attributes, and powers." (General Conference, April 1976)

Elder Sterling W. Sill: "One of the important functions in the life of Jesus was to serve as a pattern for us." (General Conference)

Elder John C. Pingree, Jr.: "Jesus Christ accepted, prepared for, and performed His preordained role as our Savior and Redeemer. He did the Father's will and completed His divine assignments." (General Conference, October 2017)

Elder Bruce R. McConkie: "Man's hope of gaining salvation is in direct proportion to his knowledge of God and the laws of salvation. No man can be saved in ignorance of Jesus Christ and the laws of the gospel. Man is saved no faster than he gains knowledge of God and the saving truths recorded in the scriptures. A fountain cannot rise above its source; a people cannot live laws of which they are ignorant, nor believe in a Christ about whom they know little or nothing. The Lord expects his people to learn the doctrines of salvation. 'Search these commandments,' is a decree which applies in principle to all revelations of all ages." (Doctrinal New Testament Commentary, 1:201)

Sister Michelle D. Lang: "Jesus's miracles often begin with a recognition of want, need, failure, or inadequacy. Remember the loaves and the fishes? Each of the Gospel writers tells how Jesus miraculously fed the thousands who followed Him. But the story begins with the disciples' recognition of their lack; they realized they had only 'five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many?' The disciples were right: they didn't have enough food, but they gave what they had to Jesus, and then He provided the miracle.

"Have you ever felt your talents and gifts were too small for the task ahead? I have. But you and I can give what we have to Christ, and He will multiply our efforts. What you have to offer is more than enough—even with your human frailties and weaknesses—if you rely on the grace of God." (General Conference, October 2018)

Elder Carlos E. Asay: "The need to remain focused on eternal goals is illustrated in the biblical account of Jesus walking on the sea and Peter's desire to do the same. Peter progressed over the water so long as he looked to Christ. But when he diverted his gaze away from the Master and allowed fear and doubt to enter in, he began to sink.

"If we, like Peter, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and our eternal destination, we, too, may 'walk triumphantly over the swelling waves of disbelief, and unterrified amid the rising winds of doubt'." (General Conference, April 1996)

Elder Bruce R. McConkie: "To eat the flesh and drink the blood of the Son of God is, first, to accept him in the most literal and full sense, with no reservation whatever, as the personal offspring in the flesh of the Eternal Father; and, secondly, it is to keep the commandments of the Son by accepting his gospel, joining his Church, and enduring in obedience and righteousness unto the end. Those who by this course eat his flesh and drink his blood shall have eternal life, meaning exaltation in the highest heaven of the celestial world. Speaking of ancient Israel, for instance, Paul says: They 'did all eat the same spiritual meat; And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ'." (Mortal Messiah, 2:379)

Elder Neal A. Maxwell: "The lessons of history concerning faith are deeply relevant to the present. For instance, some of His early disciples found Christ's claim as to His unique role too much. They 'walked no more with [Jesus]', when their little faith in Him failed. These fair-weather friends had just eaten hungrily of the miraculous loaves, but still they rejected Jesus' declarations of His divinity as the Bread of Life! Once again, experiencing miracles is no substitute for nurturing daily faith." (Lord, Increase Our Faith, p5)

Elder M. Russell Ballard: "In that moment, when others focused on what they could not accept, the Apostles chose to focus on what they did believe and know, and as a result, they remained with Christ." (Gen. Conf., October 2016)