FAMILY DEVOTIONAL (for children ages 2–6)

JESUS FEEDS THE 5,000



The Miracle Lunch

From John 6:5-13

Sitting on the grass by a big lake, Jesus was teaching a group of people. A few of the disciples asked Jesus if there was any food because some of the people were getting hungry. There wasn't enough food for everyone, because there were over 5,000 men and even more women and children!

Then Jesus said, "They do not need to leave. Give them something to eat."

The disciples found a little boy with a lunch—five loaves of bread and two small fish. Jesus thanked God for the food and split it, sharing it with everyone.

Even though he only had a small lunch to share, Jesus took what the little boy gave Him and turned it into even more than they could eat. The people ate until their tummies were full and they felt happy. There was so much food that they had 12 whole baskets of food leftover.

Reflection

Ways I can share what God has given me:

Donate toys, books, shoes or clothes
I don't use anymore.

Use my art supplies to make cards for someone who might be sad or lonely.



With Mom or Dad's help, have an art show, bake sale, car wash or lemonade stand to raise money for people in need.

With Mom or Dad's help, make a meal for someone who had surgery or just had a new baby.

My idea: _____



How Many Do You See?

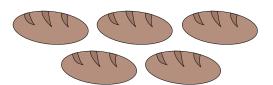


boy





___ fish



____loaves

Lesson

The disciple, Andrew, saw a young boy in the crowd who had brought some food. It wasn't very much—five loaves of bread and two small fish—but Jesus used it to do something amazing!

Your lunch probably isn't bread and fish, and maybe you don't feel like you have a lot to share, but what Jesus did a long time ago in this story, He can still do today.

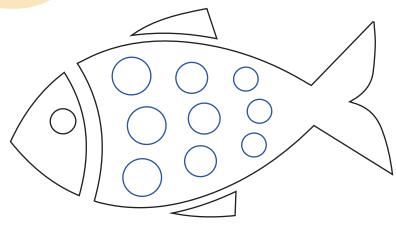
God is powerful and nothing is too hard for Him. He can take whatever we have to share and use it to help people. That's what He did through the little boy in this story and it's what He can do through you when you are kind and share.

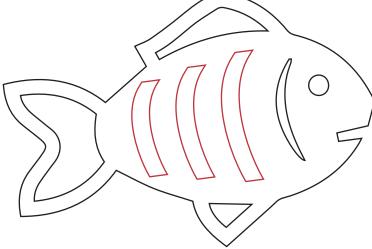
Coloring Activity

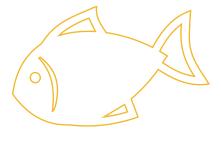
Color the spotted fish blue.

Color the striped fish red.

Color the small fish yellow.







Prayer

Dear God, You love it when we think of others. Like the little boy in this story, help us to share what we have even if it's not very much. Big or small, you can use whatever we give to help others. Nothing is too hard for You. Amen.