

JESUS FEEDS THE 5,000



The Miracle Lunch

From John 6:5-13

Sitting on a grassy hillside 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 divided it, sharing it with the crowd of people.

Jesus took what the little boy shared and turned it into even more than they could eat. The people ate until their stomachs were full and they felt content. There was so much food that they had 12 extra baskets of fish and loaves leftover.

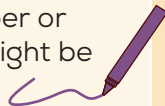
Reflection

1. Think of a time you shared what you had with others. How did the person you helped feel? How did God use your gift to help others?
2. What are some ways that I can share with others this week?



Donate toys, books, DVDs, shoes or clothes.

Take art supplies you have at home and make cards for a friend, church member or family member who might be sad or lonely.



With your parents' help, have a bake sale, car wash or lemonade stand to raise money.



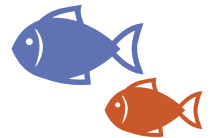
Save and donate money from my allowance.

With your parents' help, make a meal for someone at church who had surgery or just had a new baby and bring it to them.



My idea: _____

Scripture Puzzle



Find the following words:

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SHARE

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DISCIPLES

LOAVES

MULTIPLY

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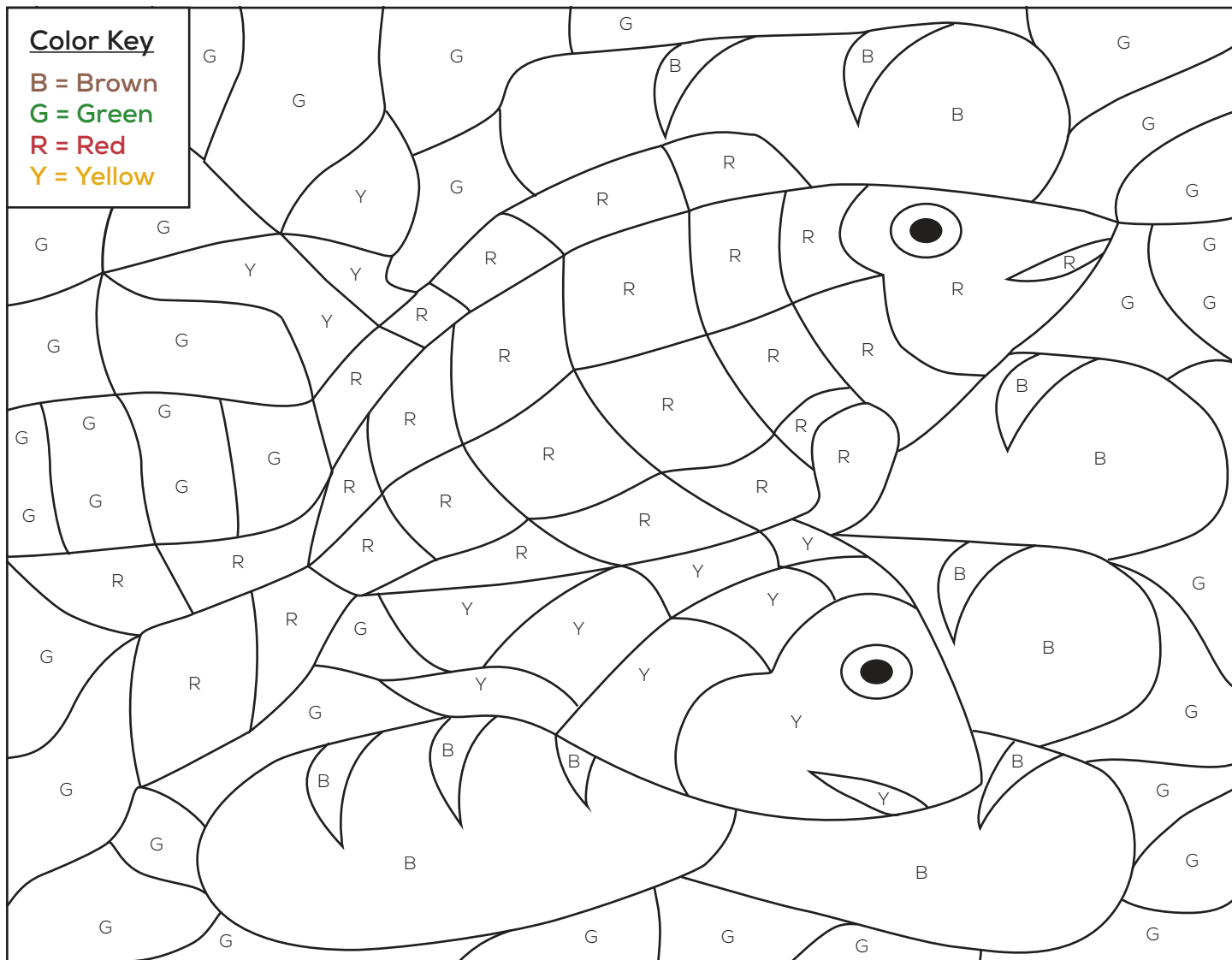
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Lesson

Your lunch may look very different than bread and fish and maybe you don't feel like you have much to give, but God is the same today as He was back then. He is powerful. He is a God of miracles. God can take whatever we have to share and grow it to bless others. That's what He did through the little boy in this story and it's what He can do through you when you share with those around you.

Hidden Picture

Discover what is hiding in this picture by coloring in the shapes using the color key below.



Prayer

Dear God, You love it when we are generous and when we think of others. Like the little boy in this story, help us to share what we have and to trust that You can do anything. Show us ways we can share your love today—with our family, with our friends, with neighbors and people in our church. Amen.