

Lesson 41

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2-5 Years:

Opening Prayer: To welcome the start of the class. For example:

"Dear God. As we once again come together, help us to learn more about your work and how we can be better Christians. Amen"

Bible Story:

Tell the story of the feeding of the 5000 in a basic language that this age group can understand. If you can't find an illustrated copy of this in the library for use in your class, use the bible use simple language.

Discuss:

Bring to class fives loaves of bread, and two shaped pieces of paper about the size of an average fish. Show these to the children. Ask them how many people they think could be fed from the

bread and fish. Talk to the children about how many people 5000 is - you could maybe have a picture of a sports stadium full of people to illustrate what a lot of people looks like - and show them the bread and fish again, how many of the children think that you could feed that many people with so little food? Yet Jesus did. That was a miracle.

Treasure Hunt:

Hide the loaves and the fish shapes around the room. Have the children find them and return them to a "basket" you have placed on your desk. Don't make them too easy to find, and encourage the children to have faith that God will show them the way.

Song: (To the tune of "All Things Bright and Beautiful)

Jesus made some miracles
He made them everyone
Jesus made some miracles
To show God loves us all

He calmed the stormy ocean
He made the blind man see
He fed 5000 people
He made the lepers clean

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Activity 2:

Make a collage for your wall. Supply plenty of pictures of picnic food, and a large sheet of construction paper that will act as a picnic blanket. There should be enough food pictures to have a picnic that would feed a family. The children should stick the food images onto the picnic blanket paper.

When you place it on the wall, place next to it a picture that shows 5 loaves of bread and two fishes.

Closing Prayer: Thanking God for the story of the loaves and fishes.

"Dear God, thank you for the story of the loaves and fishes. Help me to have faith that you will provide all that I need. Amen."