

Lesson 8

Topic: The Feeding of the 5,000 People

Lesson Plan

Grade Level: 3rd & 4th (Ages 9-10)

Lesson Duration: 45-60 minutes

Lesson Objectives:

By the end of this lesson, students will:

- Understand how Jesus fed 5,000 people with five loaves and two fish.
- Learn that Jesus meets our needs.
- Acknowledge the significance of faith, generosity, and gratitude.

1. Opening Prayer (5 minutes)

Begin with a short prayer:

"Lord Jesus, You fed the hungry and cared for those in need. Help us to trust in You and share what we have with others. Amen."

2. Bible Story: The Feeding of the 5,000 (15 minutes)

Bible Verse: *Matthew 14:13-21* (or *John 6:1-14*)

Story Summary:

- Jesus was teaching a large crowd, and it was getting late.
- The disciples wanted to send the crowd away so they could buy food.
- A young boy had **five loaves and two fish**.
- Jesus **blessed the food** and multiplied it.
- **Everyone ate and felt full**, and there were **12 baskets remaining!**

Discussion Questions:

1. Why do you think Jesus performed this miracle?
2. How did the little boy's generosity help the miracle happen?

3. What does this story teach us about trusting God?

Activity: Act out the story with students taking turns being **Jesus, the disciples, the boy, and the crowd.**

3. Lessons from the Miracle (15 minutes)

- **Jesus provides** – He cares about both our spiritual and physical needs.
- **God can do great things with small offerings;** even small acts of kindness can make a significant difference.
- **Thankfulness** – Jesus gave thanks before multiplying the food, teaching us always to be grateful.

Discussion:

- What are some ways we can share what we have with others?
- How can we show gratitude for the blessings God gives us?

Activity: Have students **draw or write about a time when they shared something with someone in need.**

4. The Importance of Generosity (10 minutes)

- Just like the boy shared his food, we should be willing to **give to others.**
- Jesus calls us to **help the hungry** and care for those in need (**Matthew 25:35**).

Activity: Create a **"Sharing Chart"** where students can write one way they can share (food, toys, time, kindness, etc.).

5. Closing Prayer & Take-Home Challenge

- End with a prayer:
"Lord, thank You for always providing for us. Help us to share what we have and trust in You. Amen."
- **Take-Home Challenge:** Have students **share something with someone in need** this week (such as food, time, or a kind word) and discuss it with the class next time.



Worksheet 1

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ACTIVITY 1: THINGS THAT DO NOT BELONG IN THE STORY



FIND 9 ITEMS THAT DON'T BELONG AND
COLOR THE PICTURE

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Worksheet 2

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ACTIVITY 3: QUIZ

MULTIPLE CHOICE:

How many people did
Jesus feed with the
loaves and fish?

- a) 500
- b) 5,000
- c) 50
- d) 1,000

TRUE OR FALSE:

Jesus was not able to feed
everyone because there was
not enough food.

FILL IN THE BLANK:

Jesus took the ___ and the ___, gave thanks, and gave them to the people.



ACTIVITY 4: FOR SHARP EYES

Find five differences

