

A Boys Lunch

Lesson 3: 21/2/10

Bible Reading: Mark 6:30-44, John 6:1-13

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand Mark 6:30-44

30 Then the apostles gathered to Jesus and told Him all things, both what they had done and what they had taught. 31 And He said to them, "Come aside by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." For there were many coming and going, and they did not even have time to eat. 32 So they departed to a deserted place in the boat by themselves.

33 But the multitudes[d] saw them departing, and many knew Him and ran there on foot from all the cities. They arrived before them and came together to Him. 34 And Jesus, when He came out, saw a great multitude and was moved with compassion for them, because they were like sheep not having a shepherd. So He began to teach them many things. 35 When the day was now far spent, His disciples came to Him and said, "This is a deserted place, and already the hour is late. 36 Send them away, that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy themselves bread;[e] for they have nothing to eat."

37 But He answered and said to them, "You give them something to eat."

And they said to Him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give them something to eat?" 38 But He said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they found out they said, "Five, and two fish." 39 Then He commanded them to make them all sit down in groups on the green grass. 40 So they sat down in ranks, in hundreds and in fifties. 41 And when He had taken the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven, blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to His disciples to set before them; and the two fish He divided among them all. 42 So they all ate and were filled. 43 And they took up twelve baskets full of fragments and of the fish. 44 Now those who had eaten the loaves were about[f] five thousand men.

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand John 6:1-13

1 After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. 2 Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. 3 And Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat with His disciples.

4 Now the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. 5 Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?" 6 But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do.

7 Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little."

8 One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, 9 "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?"

10 Then Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. 11 And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples[a] to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, "Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost." 13 Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. 14 Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world."

Aim:

- Jesus looks after everyone's needs.

Objectives:

- To teach children to be compassionate to all people, especially those who are less fortunate.
- To believe that you can make a difference through Christ.
- To emphasise that you need to feed both people's body and soul.
- Jesus wants always to give thanksgivings.

He looked up to heaven, blessed and broke the loaves

- Remind the children How Jesus is very organised and tidy.

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barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten.

Memory Verse: Let us do good to all people. Galatians 6:10

Introduction:

Today's lesson should allow the kids to embrace the love of Christ for his children. Kids should learn through this lesson that Jesus Christ is always there for them and that both their spiritual and physical needs will be fulfilled through Christ.

Children should also not underestimate their abilities to help the less fortunate and make a difference. Emphasis in the story that it was **a young boy's lunch** that was used by Jesus Christ to feed the thousands, not an adult!

You can use the following article to illustrate to children, that they too can make a difference:

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/8477345.stm>

A seven-year-old boy from London who was aiming to raise £500 for the Haiti quake relief effort through a sponsored bike ride has raised more than £72,000.

Charlie Simpson, from Fulham, west London, cycled five miles (8km) around South Park near his home to raise funds for Unicef's earthquake appeal.

His call for support touched the hearts of people around the world after he put a message on the JustGiving website.

Unicef thanked him "on behalf of the many children in Haiti".

On his JustGiving page, Charlie said: "I want to do a sponsored bike ride for Haiti because there was a big earthquake and loads of people have lost their lives.

"I want to make some money to buy food, water and tents for everyone in Haiti."

Unicef is helping to provide water, sanitation, education and nutrition, as well as supporting child protection.

Money raised by Charlie will go towards its Haiti Earthquake Children's Appeal.

Along with donations, Charlie was flooded with messages of support.

One donor said: "Well done Charlie - you are an inspiration to us all."

A donor who read about Charlie's appeal in New Zealand described his ride as an "awesome" act of kindness.

Another donor said: "We're cheering you on from Hong Kong."

David Bull, Unicef's UK executive director, described Charlie's ride on Sunday as a "little seed" which had rapidly grown into something much bigger.

"This is a very bold and innovative gesture by Charlie that shows he connects with and not only understands what children his own age must be going through in Haiti, but is also wise enough to know that he can help them," he said.

"The little seed - his idea - that he has planted has grown rapidly and his is a place well-deserved in the humanitarian world.

"On behalf on the many children in Haiti, I thank Charlie for his effort."



[Charlie's JustGiving page](#)

The Lesson:

http://www.sermons4kids.com/feeding_5000-ppt-slides.htm

While the actual content of the lesson is fairly simple, emphasis that we should be compassionate to everyone, and especially to those who are less fortunate. Children should always thank Jesus Christ and their parents for what they have, and to give as much as they can to the less fortunate.

As you say the lesson: use the slides attached to allow the children to visualise the lesson as you say it to them.

Materials needed:

- Coloured Slides
- If you are super organised, you can print the slides in colour (at work?) and create a story book. You can tell the story through the book.

Slides: Please refer to the above website for the full size of the pictures.

Jesus Feeds 5000

PowerPoint Slide Masters



Title Slide



The Arrival



The Crowd



Jesus Teaching



Philip 1



Philip 2



Boy with Basket



The Basket



Jesus Blessing



Full Up



Small Boy # 2



Andrew

The Activity:

We have asked Uncle Amir to do the following for 4 classes:

- Bake 5 big bread and 2 bread done with the shape a fish (using a mould dish)
- He is going to add food colour in the dough of the fish shaped bread.

What servants need to do:

- Each class needs to have one basket
- One of the servant in each class dresses as Jesus to bless and distribute the food.
- The kids will collect the left over and clean up.

Note:

As this activity may take some time, please be efficient with the lesson Time

The Bible Study

Bible Reading: Mark 6:30-44, John 6:1-13

JESUS FEEDS

5,000

Choose the correct answer:

1. Who did Andrew find with a basket of food?
(a young boy) (a lady with a child)
2. What size were the five loaves and two fish?
(big) (small)
3. How many people were there with Jesus?
(55000) (about 5000)
4. Was Jesus able to feed everyone with only two small fish and bread?
(No) (yes)
5. How much food was left over after everyone ate?
(12 basketfuls) (None)



Underline the correct words:

"And Jesus took the (**LOAVES, STONES**), and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the (**FISH, CHIPS**), as much as they wanted." **JOHN 6:11**

Complete:

Let us ____ good to all _____. Galatians 6:10

