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God's Provision for the 5,000

Lesson Theme: Jesus multiplies food.



Materials:

- Feeding the 5,000 craft page
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Crayons
- Construction paper
- 12 loaves of bread (to be donated to the local food bank)



Bible Character: Peter



Bible Verse

"Then he looked to heaven and thanked God for the food . . . All the people ate and were satisfied."

Matthew 14:19-20 ICB



Bible Story

My First Study Bible, pp. 322–27, "Jesus Feeds 5,000"

Story Application:

- How many loaves and fishes did the disciples bring to Jesus? (2 loaves, 5 fishes) How much food did Jesus make? (enough for everyone, with 12 baskets leftover!)
- God is awesome! God will take care of us and provide for us, as He did with the loaves and the fishes.
- God uses the gifts we give Him to provide for others, just as Jesus used the few loaves and fishes the little boy gave Him. In the little boy's hands, it was just enough for his family. In Jesus' hands, it was enough to feed thousands! God multiplies the gifts we give Him of our time, talents, and money.
- To show how much food Jesus created, have a child bring you 2 loaves of bread. Feed each child 1 slice. Then gather up the remaining bread, plus the 10 new loaves. Jesus took not enough food and turned it into enough, with more left over!



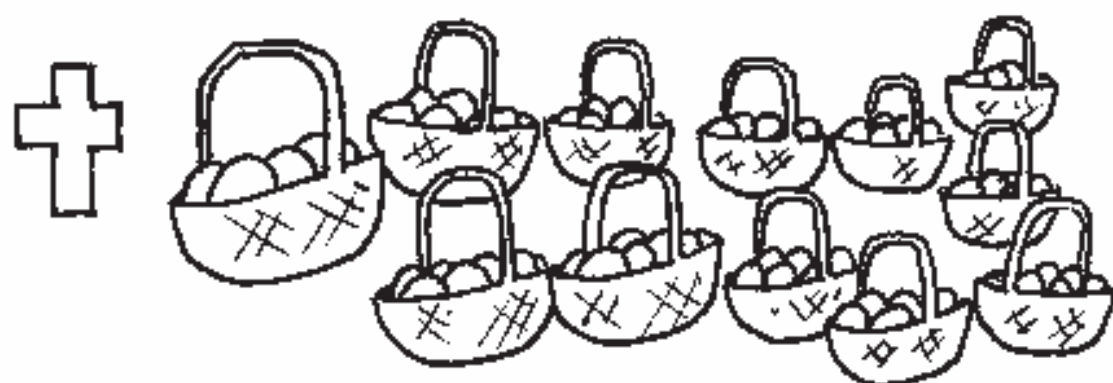
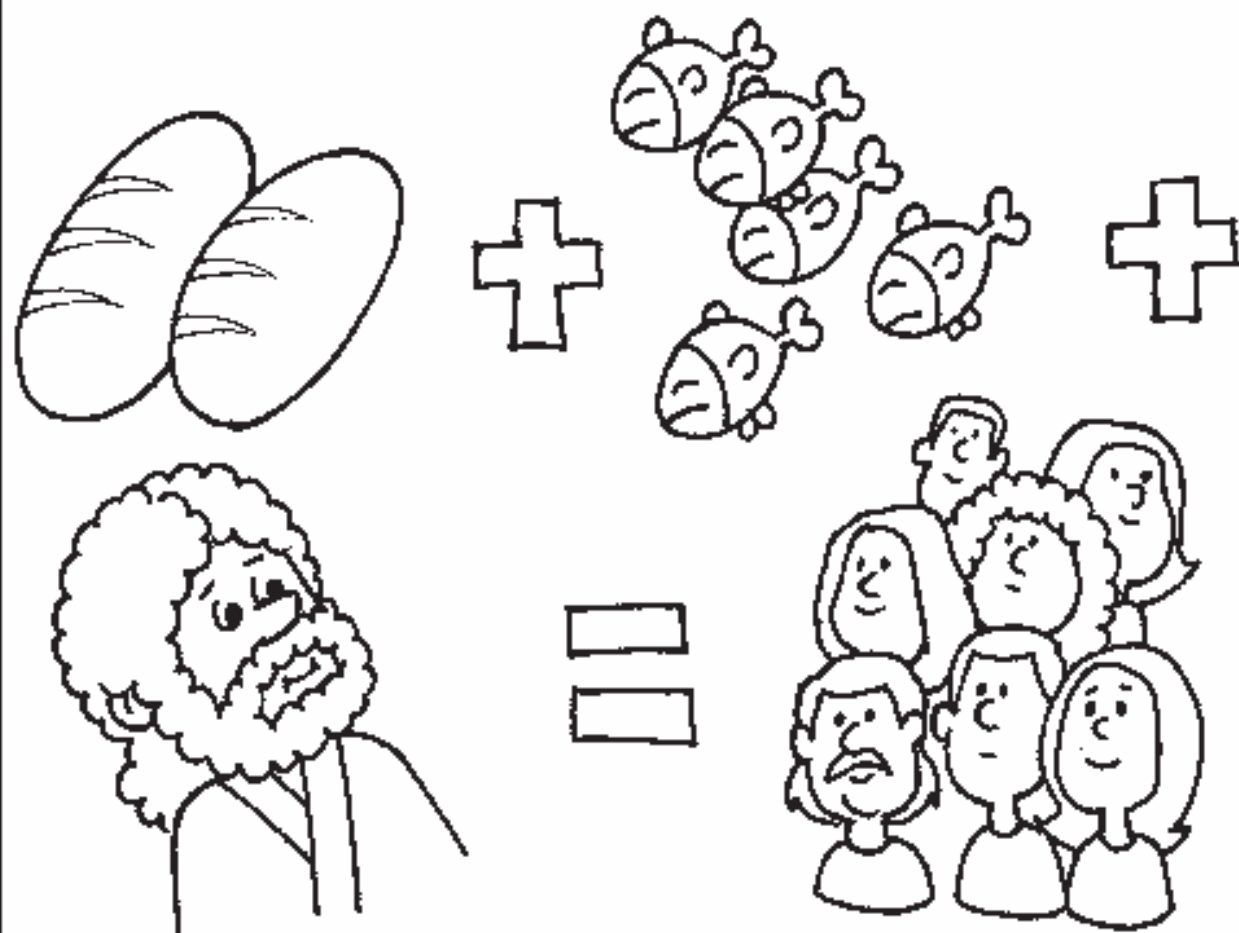
Craft

Have children cut out and color pieces on the craft sheet. Have the children glue pieces on craft paper with verse: 2 loaves + 5 fish + Jesus = 5,000 people + 12 baskets of food.



Closing Prayer

Dear God, use me to help You provide for others.





Parent Page

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Dear Parent,

Today your child heard the story of Jesus multiplying the fishes and the loaves of bread. We learned that the few loaves and fishes the little boy brought were just enough for his family. In Jesus' hands, it was enough to feed thousands! God multiplies the gifts we give Him of our time, talents, and treasure!

This week try these fun activities with your child:

1

God provides all we need. Focus this week on the blessings God provides at your house, such as food, warmth, and shelter.

2

God also provides unexpected surprises, like a clean pair of shorts when you thought they were all dirty. Look for the little provisions God makes in your lives this week.



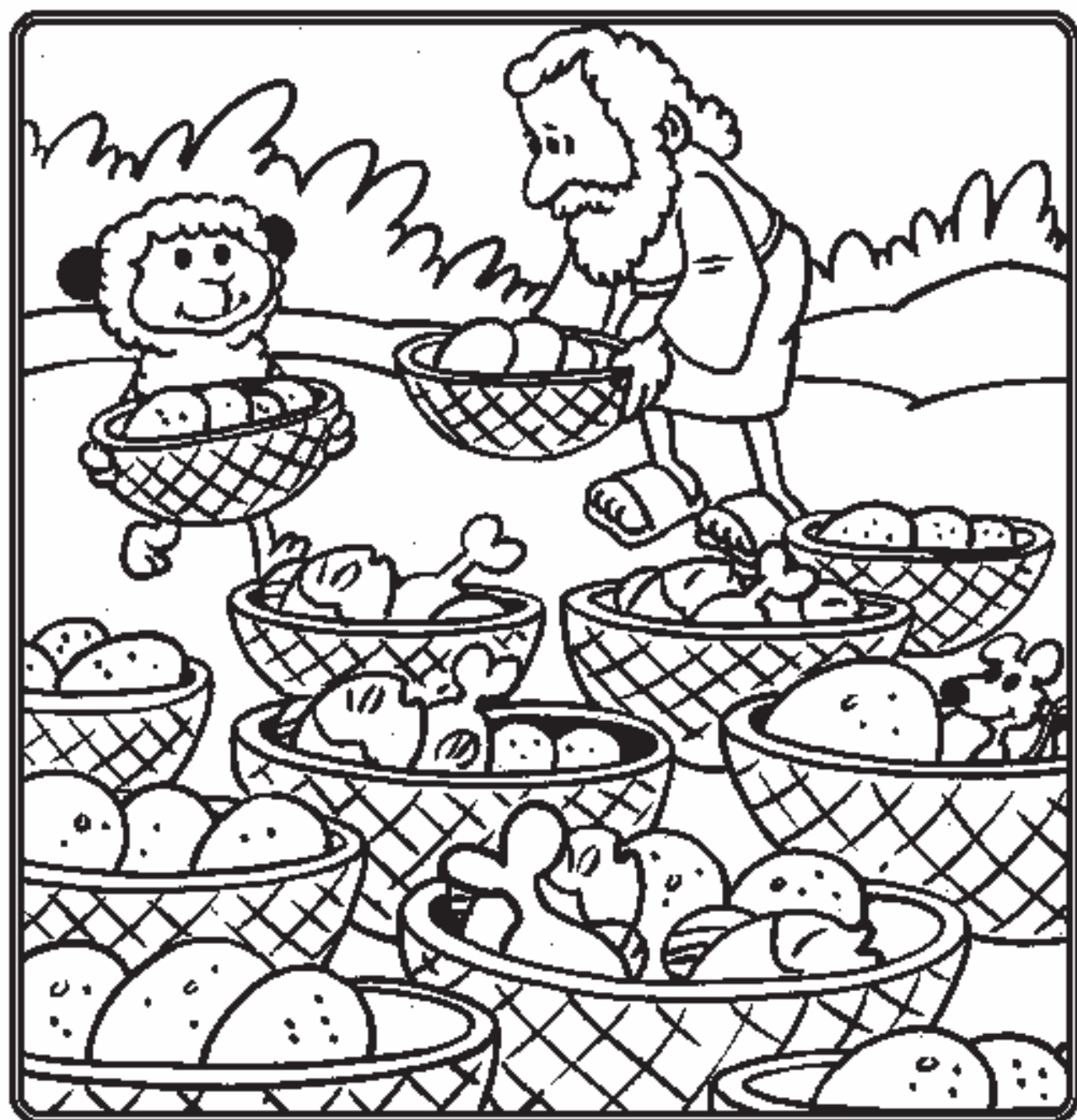
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Learn Today's Verse:
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