



A Little Boy **SHARES HIS LUNCH**

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MATERIALS

- ✓ Cardstock or poster board
- ✓ Brightly colored markers, crayons or colored pencils

BIBLE REFERENCES:

**MATTHEW 14:13-21; MARK 6:34-44;
LUKE 9:12-17; JOHN 6:1-13**

INSTRUCTIONS

- Photocopy pages 17-19 onto cardstock.
- Color the illustrations with brightly colored markers, crayons or colored pencils.
- Laminate the pages, if desired.
- Read all the Bible references to familiarize yourself with the details the Bible gives in all four accounts of this story.
- Use the script provided below with the flip chart.

FLIP CHART SCRIPT

1 The Bible says that long ago when Jesus lived on earth, people followed Him everywhere He went. The people loved to listen as Jesus told them all about God and how much God loved them and would take care of them.

2 Look, do you see the people? There are men and women and even children just like you.

Who do you think they are listening to? Yes, they are listening to Jesus.

The Bible tells us that once many people followed Jesus out into a deserted place. Jesus taught them all day until the sun was going down.

3 Jesus' helpers came to Him and said, "Tell the people to go away because it is late, and they are hungry."

But Jesus told His helpers, "You feed them."

"We have no food," they said. "What shall we do?"

One of Jesus' helpers named Andrew found a little boy who had food. He had just enough for his own dinner – two small fish and five little loaves of barley bread. If he shared his dinner, would that be enough to feed so many people?

4 Jesus did something special. First the people all sat down on the grass. Then Jesus took the the boy's food and looking up to heaven, He blessed and gave thanks for the food.

Look what happened! A little bit of food became a huge feast! All the people ate dinner with Jesus.

5 After everyone had eaten all they wanted, Jesus' helpers filled 12 baskets with leftover pieces of bread and fish!

Jesus had fed 5,000 men plus all the women and children! What a wonderful miracle Jesus performed so that everyone could see the awesome power of God through Him.

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