

## A Boy Shares His Lunch – John 6:1-13



One day, Jesus was teaching a large crowd of people out in the country. He was also healing those who were sick.

Late in the afternoon, Jesus' twelve disciples came to Him and said, "Send the people away so they can go to the local villages to find food."

But Jesus said, "You give them something to eat."

The disciples were surprised that Jesus said that because there were about 5,000 men there that day, as well as women and children. It was a huge crowd!

Philip, one of the disciples, said, "It would take more than eight months' wages to buy enough bread for everyone!"

Jesus said, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see."

Andrew, another of Jesus' disciples, said, "There is a boy with five, small barley loaves and two, small fish. But how far will these go among so many?"

The little boy gave his lunch to Jesus. Then Jesus had the people sit in groups on the grass. Taking the five loaves and two fish, Jesus looked up to heaven and said a prayer to thank God for the food. Then He broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. He also gave them the fish. But now, there were no longer only five loaves of bread, and only two fish ... there was enough for the whole crowd! It was a miracle!

Everyone ate until they were no longer hungry. Jesus said to His disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted."

So the disciples picked up twelve baskets full of broken pieces of bread and fish. There were more leftovers than the food they had started with! The lunch that the little boy shared with Jesus became enough food for a whole crowd!

### Talk About It

- Who shared his lunch with Jesus? Who did Jesus share the lunch with?
- How many baskets full of leftover pieces did the disciples pick up?
- Can you make one little lunch become enough food to feed over 5,000 people? How was Jesus able to do it?
- Tell about a time when you shared with someone. How did it make you feel?
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