

Family Faith Talk

March 22, 2020

At Home Sunday School for Your Family

Family Devotion:

Read aloud John 6:1-15.

Say: Have you ever been hungry? Of course you have! We've all been hungry. Being hungry isn't always a good feeling. Sometimes, kids might worry about not having enough to eat. And sometimes, we have so much food that we have leftovers!

Today's story is special because Jesus shows us that God provides for us. Jesus took five loaves of bread and two fish, thanked God for what he had, and was miraculously able to feed 5,000 people - with leftovers! Jesus wasn't about to let all those people go hungry so he gave them what they needed. We can trust that God will give us what we need too. God promises to take care of us and he always keeps his promises. We can especially trust that God will give our souls what they need - his grace, forgiveness and love is ours in Jesus!

Today's Bible Story:

Get your family thinking deeper about the story with these discussion starters:

What might the disciples have been thinking when they saw Jesus feed so many people with so little food?

Why do you think it was important that Jesus gave thanks for the bread and fish?

What do you think Jesus was teaching the people through this miracle?

What does this story teach us about trusting God?

How has God taken care of our family?

How might God use our family to care for others?

What needs does our family have that we can pray about?

Family Prayer:

Jesus, you promise to provide all that we need. Help us not to worry, but to trust your promises and rely on you to care for us in all our needs. In Jesus' name, Amen.

This Week's Memory Verse:

I will abundantly bless her provisions; I will satisfy her poor with bread.

Psalm 132:15

Song Suggestions:

Search for these groups on YouTube to find great Sunday school and Scripture songs to sing as a family!

Sunday School Songs Concordia Publishing House (a large collection of songs/hymns by CPH)

Seeds Family Worship (Scripture verses)

Lifetree Kids

Cedarmont Kids (more familiar Sunday school songs)

Crafts and Activities:

Search Google for "Jesus feeds 5000" for printable coloring pages!

Craft Ideas:

Create placemats for your dinner table by coloring your favorite foods on a piece of white paper. Make the placemats last longer by laminating them (clear packing tape works well).

Activity Ideas:

Search your pantry and find boxed or canned foods to donate to a local food pantry to help provide for others.

Create models of your favorite foods out of Play-Doh (just don't eat it!).

Before your next family meal, go around the table and share what you are thankful for.

Add a thanksgiving prayer to your mealtime routine. "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever" is quoted throughout the Psalms and makes a great prayer.