

**Objectives:**

Through this story the child will be able to:

1. Be willing to help others.
2. Trust God will take care of him.

**Materials:**

crayons, markers, glue, scissors

**Opening Activities:**

Attendance, Bible, Visitor chart, Recite verse from memory

**A. Focusing event:**

Songs—Did You Ever Talk to God Above?, God is Good to Me, God's Love is Like a Circle; prayer

**B. Instruction:** *page 2***C. Tying the net:** *page 2***D. Teaching the memory verse:**

*Eph 4:32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted,*

Divide the verse into short sections. Print each section on an open-Bible pattern.

Give the open Bible to children to hold.

Have the children stand before the class in proper order so that the verse can be read correctly. Say the verse together several times. Then as the children become more familiar with the verse, ask one of the children holding a Bible to turn his Bible around so the blank side is showing. Try the verse together with the one blank Bible, then with two blank Bibles, etc., until everyone can say the verse from memory.

**E. Independent activity:**

coloring craft

Have you gone on a hike or a long walk, and when you were done you were really, really hungry? There were a lot of people, more than are in this church. They walked for a *long* time because they wanted to see Jesus, but Jesus was in a boat sailing across the sea.

1. Jesus sailed across the sea of Galilee; the people followed Him. (v. 1, 2 )
2. When Jesus was on the mountain He saw all the people. (v. 3, 4)
3. The people needed to eat; Jesus asked if they had any food. (v. 5)
4. The disciples do not have any, but they found a little boy who gives them two fishes and five loaves. (v.7-9 )
5. Jesus thanks God for the food and breaks the loaves and fishes. (v. 11 )
6. Five thousand people eat the loaves and fishes. (v. 11, 12 )
7. Jesus tells the disciples to collect all that was not eaten. (v. 12)
8. When the disciples collected all that was left, they had twelve baskets full! (v. 13 )
9. The people that saw the miracle believed on Jesus. (v. 14 )

Jesus saw that the people were hungry; they needed to eat. Nobody had any food except for a little boy. Because he gave his five loaves and two fishes, everybody could eat! Jesus did a miracle by making a lot more than the five loaves and two fishes. He cared for the people. When there are people that need something, maybe they do not have any food or they do not have cloth, we need to help them. Remember God promises that He will take care of us; we can show Jesus loves them when we care for them.

**EVALUATION**

Of the Student:

Does the child trust God to take care of his needs?

Is the child willing to give to those that are in need?

Of the teaching session:

Did the child participate in the song time?

Did the child listen well to the story?

Can the child retell the story?

Can the child tell the main points/lesson of the story?

Can the child say the memory verse?