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PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME



BIBLE STORY

Nothing is too hard for Jesus.

Feeding 5,000
MARK 6:31-44

MEMORY VERSE

"With God all things are possible."

MATTHEW 19:26, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who can do anything?

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus can do anything.

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

For Leaders Only
Monthly Overview
Create the Environment

15
MIN

SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Offer one or more of these activities as preschoolers arrive.

Food Hunt
 Making Dinner
 Discovery Box

10
MIN

WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God

Amazing Things

10
MIN

STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

Bible Story
Prayer

25
MIN

GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Offer as many of these activities as your time, facilities, resources, and leadership allow.

Dotting Loaves and Fish
Food Retell
Fish and Bread Hunt
Full Plate

HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

Going Home
Parent Cue



This symbol indicates an activity with potential allergens. Be sure to post allergy alert sign and inform parents at drop-off.

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1. FOOD HUNT

WHAT YOU NEED: Plastic play food and a medium-sized basket

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Place the food all around the room in plain view.
Place the basket in the middle of the activity area.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Challenge the children to go around the room and
find the food. Instruct the children to place the food in the basket after they
find it. Continue the activity until all of the food has been found.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "There is food EVERYWHERE!" (*Hold out arms and
spin around.*)

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Can you please help me find all of the food and
place it in the basket? (*Pause.*) Thank you! Let's get started." (*Do activity.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Great job finding all of the food. I am so glad that we
have all of the food. In our Bible story today we are going to talk about A LOT
of food. Hmmm. I wonder where all of that food comes from. Let's find out!"

TRANSITION: Move to Bible story time by rubbing your tummies like you are
hungry as you walk to the story area.

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2. MAKING DINNER

Be sure to list the items you will be using today on the "Allergy Alert Poster" and post it at the door to your room

WHAT YOU NEED: "Allergy Alert Poster," white cardstock, multiple colors of Play-Doh®, rolling pins, cookie cutters, and wet wipes

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Allergy Alert Poster" on white cardstock and hang it on the door. Place the Play-Doh and tools on the table.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage the children to use the Play-Doh to make a pretend meal. Encourage them to use their imaginations to create certain dishes.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Wipe messy fingers with the wet wipes.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Yay! We get to play with Play-Doh!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "We will be talking about food in our Bible story today. So, let's use the Play-Doh to make food. You may make any type of food that you would like. Let's get cooking!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Yum! Your food looks awesome. It is making me HUNGRY. There are a lot of hungry people in our story today. Let's get ready to hear our TRUE story from the Bible and find out if they were able to eat."

TRANSITION: Move to Bible story time by saying, "I am hungry," as you walk to the story area.

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**HEAR
FROM GOD**
MEMORY VERSE
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1. DOTTED LOAVES AND FISH

WHAT YOU NEED: "Dotted Verse" Activity Page, white cardstock, and dot markers

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Dotted Verse" onto the cardstock.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Say the memory verse with the children. Give the children the dot markers and encourage them to use them to color the bread and fish on the Activity Page.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Say the memory verse with the children again.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Let's say our memory verse together: With God all things are possible, Matthew 19:26. Awesome job!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: (Give each child an Activity Page.) "There are loaves and fishes on our page today. (Point.) The words of our memory verse are in the loaves and fishes. Use the dot markers to color the loaves and fish." (Do activity.)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "WOW! Nice work. Let's say our memory verse together one more time: With God all things are possible, Matthew 19:26. Perfect! Our memory verse tells us that God makes all things possible. **Jesus can do anything! Who can do anything? Jesus can do anything!**"

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**TALK
ABOUT GOD
BIBLE STORY
REVIEW**



IMAGINE

an activity that lets preschoolers pretend, imagine,
and role play to enhance their learning

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2. FOOD RETELL

WHAT YOU NEED: Play food and a kitchen area

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Place all of the food in the kitchen area.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage the children to cook the food in the kitchen. As the children are cooking, retell the Bible story.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Pretend to eat the food that the children have cooked.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "In our Bible story today, we heard about A LOT of people who were hungry and there was not a lot food to eat."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Let's cook a meal together so that we can eat together. (*Begin cooking.*) Jesus did things that we cannot do. Our story today told us that there were 5,000 people who were hungry. But there were only five loaves of bread and two fish. That is not enough food for 5,000 people! But Jesus turned the two fish and five loaves of bread into lots and lots of food. There was enough food for everyone. Wow! Jesus can do things that we can't do. Jesus is amazing!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Your meal looks delicious! Let's sit down and enjoy our meal together. (*Pretend to eat.*) Jesus can do amazing things. He can do things that are hard, like feed 5,000 people with only five loaves of bread and two fish. **Jesus can do anything. Who can do anything? Jesus can do anything!**"

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3. FISH AND BREAD HUNT

WHAT YOU NEED: Play food and small paper lunch sacks

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Hide the food all around the room. Do not make it
very hard, but do not place the food in plain sight.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Give the children the lunch sacks and encourage
them to look around the room and find the food that it is hiding. Instruct the
children to place the food that they find in their bag.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "We have food hiding in the room."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Can you help me find the food that is hiding?
(Pause.) Great! When you find any food, please place it in this bag. (Give each
child a bag.) Now it is time to find the food." (Do activity.)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Great job! You found A LOT of food, just like there
was a lot of food in our Bible story today. Jesus made A LOT of food from two
fish and five loaves of bread. WOW! **Jesus can do anything! Who can do
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CREATE

an activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft to take home

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4. FULL PLATE

WHAT YOU NEED: "Plate" Activity Page, white cardstock, small paper plates, glue sticks, and scissors

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy the Activity Page onto the cardstock and cut on the dotted lines.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Give each child a plate and a cutout. Help the children glue the cutout onto the middle of the plate.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Allow the plates to dry.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "We heard a wonderful Bible story today. Jesus made food for 5,000 people out of only two fish and five loaves of bread. WOW!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Let's make a plate with the fish and bread on it. You can use it to tell others all about our Bible story." (Do activity.)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "AWESOME! You have the perfect thing to tell people all about our Bible story today. Jesus was AMAZING! He fed so many people with only two fish and five loaves of bread. **Jesus can do anything! Who can do anything? Jesus can do anything!**"

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