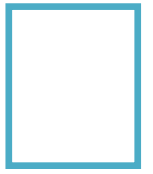


Bread From Heaven



Scripture: John 6 (The Message)

⁸⁻⁹One of the disciples—it was Andrew, brother to Simon Peter—said, "There's a little boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But that's a drop in the bucket for a crowd like this."

One day Jesus and his disciples wanted to have some time to relax. They got into a boat and went away to a quiet place to rest. When they arrived, there were people there waiting for Jesus to teach them and heal the sick. Jesus had wanted to rest, but when he saw the people, he loved them so much that he forgot all about being tired. He healed the sick and taught the people about the kingdom of heaven.

Soon it was time to eat. The disciples and Jesus talked about how they would feed all the hungry people.

"All we have is five loaves of bread and two fish" the disciples answered. That little bit of food belonged to a little boy. He gave what he had to Jesus.

Jesus told the disciples bring him the loaves and fish and to tell everyone to sit down on the grass. Jesus took the loaves and fish and looked up to heaven and gave thanks. He then gave the food to the disciples to give to the people. Everyone ate until they were satisfied. Then the disciples picked up the leftovers and there were twelve baskets full! The Bible tells us that there were five thousand men who were fed plus all the women and children.

Can you imagine feeding a whole town of people with one little picnic basket full of food? Will you give what you have to Jesus? Remember, with Jesus, anything is possible!

Prayer: Dear Jesus, help us to remember that when we give what we have to you, even a little bit is more than enough. Amen.

Song: "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

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