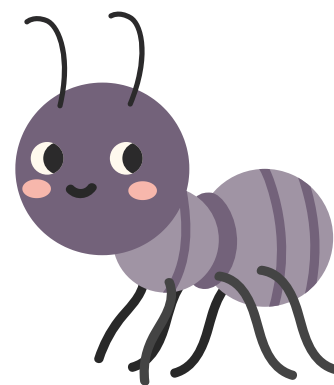


# Filling Every Basket



God's love, hunger and  
how we can help



Jesus feeds people and  
invites us to help!

Let's get started...

- Have you ever been to a big party? What food did they serve? What did you choose to eat?
  - Have you ever been to a party when there wasn't enough food? What happened?
  - When is a time someone shared food with you?
  - When is a time you shared food with someone?
- (Always check with a grown up to make sure there are no allergies!)



**Our Big Idea:**  
Jesus cares about hungry people—  
and He invites us to help too.

## What does God say?

Let's read John 6:1-13...

Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), 2 and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing the sick. 3 Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. 4 The Jewish Passover Festival was near. 5 When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" 6 He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. 7 Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages[a] to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!" 8 Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, 9 "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?" 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). 11 Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. 12 When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." 13 So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

Let's dig into the story!

- Why do you think the boy shared his food?
- What might have happened if he had kept it for himself?
- I wonder how the hungry people felt when they received their food?
- I wonder what the disciples were thinking as they handed out the abundance of food?
- What can you share to help others?
- What idea will your family try this week to help feed the hungry?

Prayer prompts:

God, help me see who needs help...  
God, is there someone you are asking me to help today?  
God, how is my family called to help together?

