

GROUP ACTIVITY

This activity can be used in a small group at church or even with your kids at home!

Delicious Fishes

Supplies: Goldfish crackers (1 bowl per group), plastic spoon (1 per child), small cup or bowl (1 per child), tape (3 feet)

Preparation: Use tape to create a starting line on the floor. Place a bowl full of Goldfish crackers approximately 10–12 feet from the starting line.

Directions: Give each child a plastic spoon and a small cup and have them line up behind the starting line. When it's their turn, direct the children to set their cup down, walk to the bowl of Goldfish crackers, scoop some crackers up with their spoon, carefully walk back to the starting line, and drop the crackers into their cup. Challenge the children to not drop any of their crackers on the floor. Also, tell the children not to eat their crackers just yet. After all of the children have had a turn, lead them in additional rounds with a twist. Round 2: walk backwards. Round 3: spin in circles. Round 4: carry the spoon in their mouth. When finished, direct the children to sit down in a circle with their cup of crackers. Point out that everyone has crackers except for you and ask each child if they would be willing to share some of their crackers with you. Afterwards, allow the children to eat their crackers.

Say: In our story for today, the little boy didn't have Goldfish crackers, he had real fish. How many fish did he have? (Answer: 2) He also had some loaves of bread. How many loaves of bread did he have? (Answer: 5) When the disciples asked the boy to share his food, did he say, "No! It's MINE! You can't have it!" or did he say "Here, you can have it." (Answer: Here, you can have it.) The little boy gave his food. Jesus wants us to give too.

Question: Was it easy or hard for you to give me some Goldfish crackers? Why?



LESSON 7.4

DRAW IT!

Think of something you can give to Jesus. Draw a picture of it.



JOURNAL IT!

Think about a time when you gave Jesus something small, but He did something BIG with it. Maybe it was a few encouraging words or a small amount of time doing something nice, but it made a big difference for someone. Write about it.

THIS WEEK WE LEARNED

JESUS FEEDS THE FIVE THOUSAND

BIG IDEA: Jesus can do BIG things with the little bit that we give Him. BIBLE BASIS: Mark 6:30-44. John 6:1-14

KEY VERSE: "God is able to do far more than we could ever ask for or imagine. He does everything by his power that is working in us." Ephesians 3:20 (NIrV)

READ IT!

John 6:1-14. Draw a picture of the story or write to God about your favorite part of the story. Tell Him why you liked it.

PRAY IT!

Write a prayer to Jesus. Tell Him how amazing He is for doing BIG things with the little bit that you give Him.

NEXT WEEK'S LESSON

JESUS WALKS ON WATER

BIG IDEA: Jesus has power over our problems, so we can look to Him in times of trouble.

BIBLE BASIS: Mark 6:45-52; Matthew 14:22-36; John 6:16-21

KEY VERSE: "Let us keep looking to Jesus." Hebrews 12:2a (NIrV)



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DINNERTIME QUESTION

WHAT CAN YOU GIVE TO JESUS
FOR HIM TO
USE IN A BIG
WAY?