

Lesson 13: Jesus Who Multiplies the Loaves

Objective:

Students should understand

- Jesus provides for our needs materially and spiritually just like he fed 5000 people by multiplying five loaves of bread and two fish.
- Jesus, the Son of God, instituted the Holy Eucharist to give us life.
- The gifts/ talents that we receive should be shared or used to help others in need.
- We must pray to God for our needs and trust completely in Gods ability to provide for them.

Starter:

Begin with a asking the children if they share their things with their friends/siblings often.

Share the below Story

It was lunch time; Emma and her friend Sara were ready to eat their tiffins. When suddenly one of the boys who were running around hit Sara and spilled her tiffin. Sara became sad and started crying. Emma felt bad for her friend and consoled her. Even though Emma's food was not enough for the two, she offered to share her tiffin. Sara stopped crying, hugged her friend and thanked her. The teacher who was observing all this was happy with Emma's behavior and rewarded her with a chocolate. Emma and Sara had their food and even shared the chocolate. Emma's tummy was not full but her heart was filled with joy.

OR

Show them this video and ask them what they understood from the below video and if they agree with Tia about sharing

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wIOHir-x6Y>

Important points from the chapter:

- **Trust in Gods Abundant Grace:** Despite the seemingly impossible task of feeding such a large crowd with limited resources, Jesus miraculously provided enough food for everyone. This demonstrates God's infinite abundance and ability to meet our needs, even in the most challenging circumstances (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B1iCj8CJTD4>). He cares for us and helps us when we need it.

- **The power of sharing, even when you have little:** The boy also was hungry and needed the bread and fish for himself but he was still was ready to share it with others and Jesus used it to bless many.
- **Jesus is the bread of life:** The story tells us that just as Jesus fed the physical needs of the crowd, he also satisfies the spiritual hunger of humanity through the Holy Eucharist. As written in the bible, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God". Eating food will fill our stomachs but Holy Eucharist and prayer will keep our souls satisfied.

Applications in real life:

1. Praying to God and asking for His help in times of need.
2. Sharing gifts/things with your friends. Children could be shown this video as an example (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r01ozy8R3uQ>)
3. Helping your parents and teachers when they need help

Bible verse:

"I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty". - John 6:35

Activity:

1. Make a group of 2-3 kids and ask them to color the picture in their textbook by sharing a box of crayons.
2. Unscramble the below words and write the circled letters to complete the below sentence

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UGTHAT	T A U G H T
DEARB	B R E A D
EIVF	F I V E
HSIF	F I S H
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