

Jesus Provided Bread from Heaven

Babies and Toddlers

Bible Passage: Matthew 14:13-21; Mark 6:30-44; John 6:1-14

Key Passage: John 20:31

Main Point: Jesus did miracles.

The Bible Story (Watch this week's [IDC Kids Preschool Video](#))

Jesus went to a place to be alone with God. Many people followed Jesus. When Jesus saw the people, He loved them and healed those who were sick. At dinner time, His friends said, "You need to send the people home so they can eat." Jesus said, "They do not need to leave. You give them food." His friends said, "A little boy has five loaves of bread and two small fish." Jesus told the friends to tell the people to sit down. Jesus thanked God for the bread and the fish, and then He tore them into pieces and passed them around. Everyone ate until they were full. The friends picked up the leftovers—enough to fill 12 baskets! Jesus fed 5,000 men, plus women and children.

Gospel Gems

Jesus loved people and healed them.

Jesus fed the crowd with five loaves and two fish.

Jesus showed people He provides.

Babies Activities

Look in the Bible

Provide hand-size Bibles for babies to handle. Open your Bible to John 6:1-14. Say the Gospel Gems and read the key passage.

Say: Jesus did miracles. Jesus showed people He provides.

Sing a Song

Sing to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat":

"Jesus is, Jesus is, Jesus is God's Son!

He has power o'er everything; Jesus is God's Son!"

Say: Jesus loved people and healed them. When they were hungry, Jesus showed people He provides. **Jesus did miracles.**

Pinch and tear bread

If you have bread at home that is nearing the end of its shelf life, place bread slices in a ziplock bag and seal it with duct tape. Place babies on their tummies or in a highchair and invite them to pinch and tear the bread within the bag.

Say: Jesus did miracles, things God does by His power that are normally impossible. Jesus fed the crowd with five loaves and two fish. He tore the bread like you did!

Catch fish

Provide a plastic bin with half an inch of water. Place fish-shaped bath toys in the water.

Supervise as babies splash their hands in the water and grab the fish. Talk about the Bible story.

Say: Jesus loved people and healed them. Jesus fed the crowd with five loaves and two fish.

Jesus did miracles to show He provides.

Toddler Activities

Make stamp art

Provide paper, fish-shaped cookie cutters, and washable ink pads. Demonstrate to toddlers how to press a cookie cutter onto the ink pad and then onto the paper. Write the Main Point on the artwork. Keep wipes handy for cleanup.

Say: Jesus loved people and healed them. When they became hungry, **Jesus did miracles** to show that He provides.

Play out a doctor's office

Invite toddlers to play with a toy medical kit, baby dolls, and gauze bandages. Talk about how Jesus healed people wherever He went.

Say: Jesus loved people and healed them. **Jesus did miracles!**

Toss bread in baskets

Provide a woven basket and toy loaves or slices of bread. Hold the basket and invite toddlers to take turns tossing the bread into it. As toddlers play, briefly review the Bible story.

Say: **Jesus did miracles.** Jesus fed the crowd with five loaves and two fish, and His friends picked up 12 baskets of bread and fish!