Pathways to Discipleship - Preschool Children



October – Generosity Week 3 – Sunday, October 18 2020 – Jesus Feeds 5,000 (John 6:1-13)

Weekly Introduction

This month our theme for Pathways to Discipleship is Generosity. Each week we will learn about ways we can be generous towards God, one another and ourselves. This week, the children will hear about a little boy sharing his food to help feed others. God is generous by feeding 5,000 people.

The Bible Story (read with your children)

People! People! People! Too many to count! More than 10 people, more than 50 people, more than 100 people, more than 1,000 people. 5,000 people had come to hear Jesus. They stayed all afternoon.

At dinnertime, they were still listening to Jesus. Jesus' friends said, Let's tell these people to leave now. They can go and get something to eat."

"They do not need to go," said Jesus.

"But we do not have the money to buy food for them," said Philip.

"You are right," said Andrew. "And I only know one person who brought food. A little boy here has five loaves of bread and two fish. That is not enough to feed 5,000 people."

But Jesus said, "Tell the people to sit down."

Everyone sat down on the soft grass. Jesus took the five loaves and the two fish. He prayed and thanked God for the food. Then his friends began to give food to the people. Now, there were not only five loaves and two fish. There was plenty of bread and fish for everyone. Each person got to eat as much as he wanted.

Prayer (saying this together)

Dear God,

Thank you for being so generous. Thank you for giving us food to eat. Thank you for loving us every day. Amen.

*Adapted from The Beginners Bible