

# Family Worship Response

## Elementary

**Purpose:** God will provide – and Multiply! Jesus did some amazing things when He walked on earth. Once, he took a small boy’s lunch, just some bread and fish, and used it to feed over 5,000 people.

**Supplies for Activity:** *for each person*

- Paper
- Scissors

**Activity:**

- How many corners does your piece of paper have?
- Your paper has four corners. Can you think of four things God has provided for you?
- Cut off a corner of the paper, and hand it to a child. Now that I’ve given a corner away, how many corners do I have?
- Can you think of *five* things that God has provided?

**Connection:**

- You see, the more times Jesus divided the bread and fish, the more He had to give away.
- Have the children count the corners on the cut-off piece they each have. Not only that, the people had more than enough.
- Encourage the kids to each cut off more corners, each time counting the multiplying corners.

**Family Discussion:**

- What surprised you about our activity?
- Which things amazed and surprised you about what Jesus did?
- What is something you can give that God could use to help others?

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**God Statement:** Jesus is Provider

**Family Memory Verse:** John 16:33: "I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble but take heart! I have overcome the world."

**Blessing:** May God awaken you to His Holy Spirit of compassion, because He is gracious, slow to anger and rich in love. The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made. May you trust God to provide for you each day!

**Lesson:** Jesus feeds the 5,000

**Scriptures:** Matthew 14:13-21 and John 6:1-15

### Discussion Questions:

1. Why did Jesus feed the people? *Matthew 14:14*  
(Jesus knew the people were hungry and He had compassion on them.)
2. How did Jesus provide for the people? *Matthew 19-20*  
(He took the 5 loaves and 2 fish and multiplied them for all the people to eat.)
3. What does this tell you about Jesus as Provider?
4. List some things that God has provided for you and thank Him!
5. Like the disciples, how can we take what Jesus has given us to meet the needs of others?

# Family Activity

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### **Paper Ball Toss Purpose:**

Matthew 14:15-16 'That evening the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves." But Jesus said, "That isn't necessary—you feed them."

Explain to your kids that there will be times in their lives when they will need something and only God can provide it. In these times it may seem like it's impossible just like the disciples thought that it was impossible to feed the 5 thousand. When we trust in God as provider and look to Him, He will always provide. Sometimes it's not in the way we wanted or expected but we are called to trust in God. It's hard to trust in God always and we miss the mark but God always wants us to trust Him.

### **Supplies Needed:**

- Paper
- Basket
- Timer

### **Action:**

- Take some paper and ball it up in to "rolls or bread"
- Put the basket 10 feet from you guys
- Have one family member start tossing the "rolls of bread" (balled up paper) in the basket for 1 min (make sure they stay 10 feet away from the basket)
- Once a minute has gone by count how many they made in the basket
- Rest the game and have the next family member go
- After everyone has gone whoever made the most baskets win
- Play as many rounds as you want!