

**Scripture reference:** Filled Full! Feeding of the 5,000

**Story summary:** A massive crowd gathered (over 5,000) close to the Sea of Galilee. The people, after listening to Jesus in the heat of the day, started to get hungry and thirsty. Jesus, instead of sending them home to get food and water, noticed a boy with five loaves and two fish. Miraculously, Jesus multiplied the small meal into a feast for thousands - and there were baskets of food leftover!

**Optional Lesson Strengthening:** Give the older children children a pair of scissors and a piece of paper. Have the children hold up their papers. Say: How many corners does your piece of paper have? Allow time for the kids to count their corners. Say: Your paper has four corners. But what if I want to give someone a corner? Cut off a corner of the paper, and hand it to a child. Hold up the paper, and say: Okay, now that I've given a corner away, how many corners do I have? Allow kids to answer, and then say: Wait a minute. I have five. Count the corners to the kids. Then have each child cut a corner from his or her paper. Say: 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\*

**Activities:**

**What you need:**

- Template
- Colouring in crayons or pencils
- Erasor
- Scissors

**Further discussion:** God will provide even when it may not seem possible to us, and He may also want to involve us (our time, our abilities, and so on) in this process. God is the ultimate provider of our food, our water, our shelter, even the air we breathe as we read these words. Take time to think of how God has provided for you and discuss. Pray a prayer of gratitude.

**Resources\*:**

- [childrensministry.com/jesus-feeds-five-thousand/](http://childrensministry.com/jesus-feeds-five-thousand/)
- [barefeetonthedashboard.com/2015/03/teaching-kids-to-give/](http://barefeetonthedashboard.com/2015/03/teaching-kids-to-give/)

Pre-primary

Gr 1-2

Gr 3-4

Gr 4-5



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*Matthew 14:13-21*

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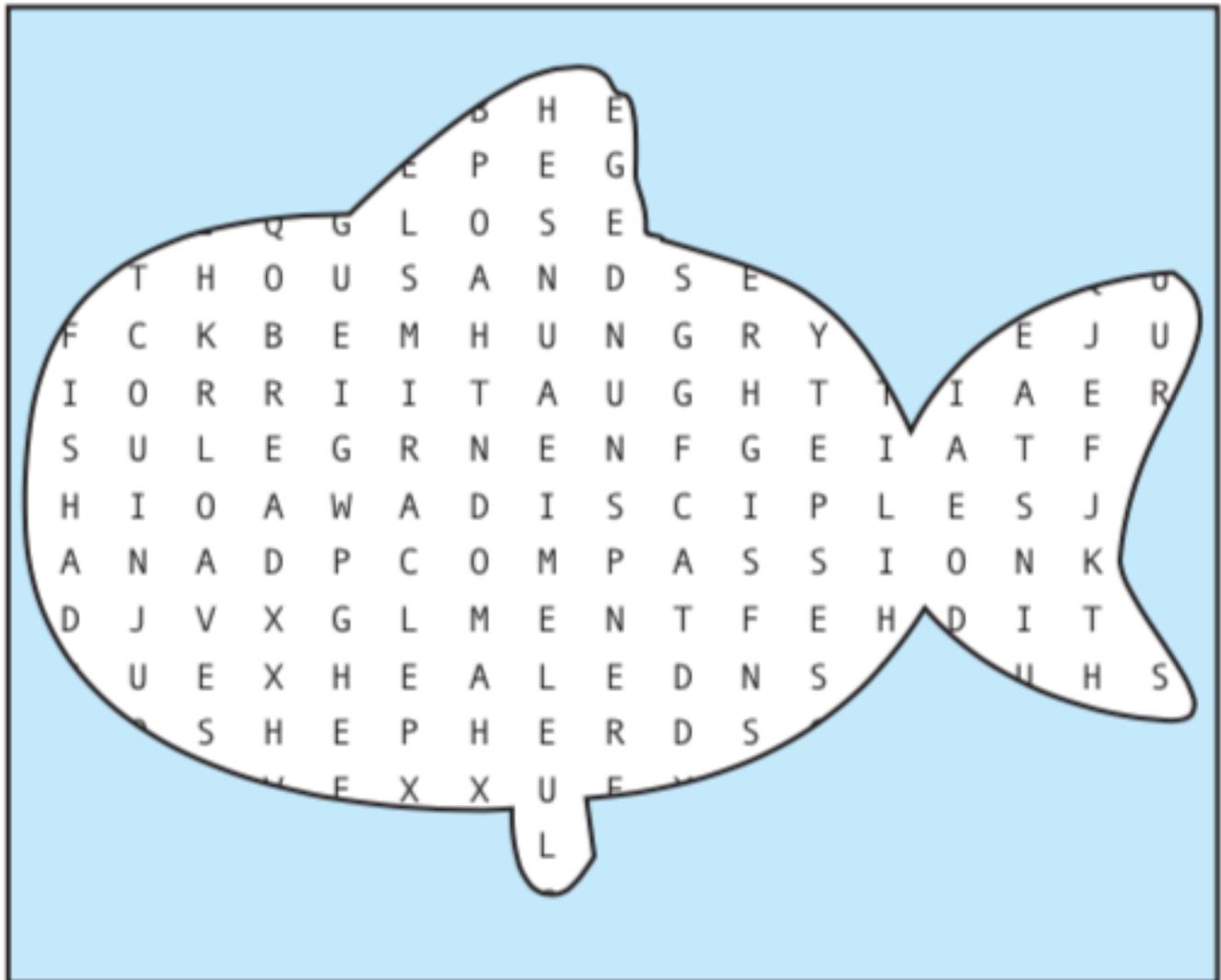
"With God, all things are possible."  
Matthew 19:26

Jesus wants to  
be my friend  
forever.  
Feeding 5000  
Mark 6:30-44



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 Subtract the numbers in the box to get the code  
 number for each letter. Then solve the puzzle.  
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