

Always Open: Service with a smile

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BIBLE STORY

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Feeding 5,000
John 6:1-13

MEMORY VERSE

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LIFE APP

Service—Lending a hand to help someone else

BOTTOM LINE

Use what you have to serve others.

BASIC TRUTH

I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

For Leaders Only
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What to Serve

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"I Can Do All Things" from *At the Top of My Lungs*

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GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Race to Feed the 5,000
Serving Picture Charades
Memory Verse Mixer
Prayer

HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

GodTime
Parent Cue

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GETTING READY

SOCIAL: PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION

CHOOSE ONE OR BOTH OF THESE ACTIVITIES.

EARLY ARRIVER*Made to Explore:* an activity that extends learning through hands on experimentation and discovery**WHAT YOU NEED:**

- An offering container
- Three brown paper lunch bags
- Three similar weight food items such as toy food or canned goods; put one in each bag

WHAT TO SERVE*Made to Move:* an activity that increases the oxygen in the brain and taps into the energy in the body**WHAT YOU NEED:**

- 25 (NIV) or 35 (NIRV) various toy food items, canned goods, or empty (and clean) food boxes or containers such as cereal boxes
- Prepare ahead of time by placing a piece of masking tape on each food item and writing one word of the memory verse on each piece. (Don't forget the reference too!)
- Hide the food items around the room or space prior to the kids' arrival.
- *Note: If you have multiple groups in the same room, choose one type of food item per group (cereal boxes, canned goods, mac and cheese, etc.). If you are unable to find enough of each food item, you could provide images of that food item instead of physical food.*

GROUPS: CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT

CHOOSE AS MANY OF THESE ACTIVITIES AS YOU LIKE.

** If you don't have time to do all these activities, be sure to do activity #2.***1. RACE TO FEED THE 5,000****[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]***Made to Play:* an activity that encourages learning through following guidelines and working as a group**WHAT YOU NEED:**

- Print the "Race to Feed" Activity Page on cardstock and cut apart; one fish and loaf of bread for each kid
- Two serving trays

Note: For a more cost effective option, you could use cardboard cut into a square or circle, clipboards, or cookie sheets.

- Two paper plates
- Masking tape

*** 2. SERVING PICTURE CHARADES****[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]***Made to Create:* an activity that explores spiritual ideas through the process of drawing, building, and designing**WHAT YOU NEED:**

- White paper; one piece for each kid
- Two clipboards
- Markers

3. MEMORY VERSE MIXER**[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]***Made to Move:* an activity that increases the oxygen in the brain and taps into the energy in the body**WHAT YOU NEED:**

- Food items from the "What to Serve" Social activity

PRAYER**[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]***Made to Reflect:* an activity that creates space for personal understanding and application**WHAT YOU NEED:**

- No supplies needed

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GETTING READY, CONTINUED

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

- Make copies on cardstock or email this week's GodTime and Parent Cue cards.
- Tell parents about our additional family resources: **Studio252.tv** and the **Parent Cue** app.

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EXPLORE

an activity that extends learning through hands on experimentation and discovery

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Welcome kids and spend time engaging in conversation and catching up. Get ready to experience today's story.

Before kids arrive, take a few moments to pray for them. Ask God to help you show them that they can use whatever they have to serve others. Pray that God will lay it on their hearts to serve the people in their lives with what they have been given. Ask Him to help them have faith to give what they have to serve others and that they can trust Him to ultimately be the provider.

LIFE APP

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1. EARLY ARRIVER IDEA

WHAT YOU NEED: Brown paper bags with food items

WHAT YOU DO:

- Collect kids' offerings as they arrive.
- Encourage kids to sit in front of you and the bags as they arrive.
- Explain that you will open one bag to reveal what food item is inside, and then you will scramble the bags repeatedly so they won't be sure which bag that food item is in.
- The goal is for them to guess which food item is in what bag.
- Continue as time and interest allow. If you wish, you can allow kids to try scrambling the bags.

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2. WHAT TO SERVE

WHAT YOU NEED: Various prepared food items hidden around the room

WHAT YOU DO:

- Encourage each kid to find two hidden food items.
- When kids have returned from the hunt, ask each of them to think up a meal using the two items they found.
- After you are finished, tell the group to go hide the food items they found.
- *Note: If you share your space, you might not want to ask kids to hide the items. Instead, make sure they find ALL of the items before you go to Large Group. Set the items aside to use again later.*

WHAT YOU SAY:

"It was a bit challenging to come up with a whole meal using only two items, wasn't it? If you could only eat two things for the rest of your life, what would they be? (*Allow time for responses and ideas.*) Great ideas! I'm not sure I could make that many meals with only two things. **[Transition] Today in Large Group, we are going to learn about a HUGE meal that was made using only 2 things too. Can you believe that? Let's go check out what it was!"**

Lead your group to the Large Group area.

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1. RACE TO FEED THE 5,000

WHAT YOU NEED: "Race to Feed" cutouts (Activity Page), masking tape, serving trays, paper plates

WHAT YOU DO:

- Divide your group into teams of two.
- Give each team a serving tray, a plate, and one fish and one bread cutout for each kid on the team.
- Mark a starting line using masking tape.
- Mark a finish line using masking tape on the opposite side of your space.
- Explain that the first person in line must put a piece of bread and a fish on their plate and place the plate on their serving tray. They will then answer a review question (you may have to repeat each question if players don't return at the same time), carry their serving tray to the finish line, drop off their food on the other side, and race back to let the next person in line have a try.
- Explain that if they drop their food, they must pick it up and continue racing.
- The first team to drop off all their food is the winner!

Review Questions:

1. How many people needed to be fed? (*More than 5,000*)
2. What did Jesus tell the disciples? (*To figure out how to feed the people*)
3. How did the disciples react? (*They did not think they would be able to find food for that many people*)
4. Who did Jesus use to feed the people? (*A young boy*)
5. What did he use to feed the people? (*The boy's lunch*)
6. What was in the boy's lunch? (*Two fish and five loaves of bread*)
7. What did Jesus do before he fed everyone? (*He thanked God*)
8. What happened to the food? (*It got multiplied; it increased*)
9. Did they have enough food, and was there any left? (*Yes, there were leftovers*)
10. What does this story mean for me and you? (*We can use what we have to serve others*)

WHAT YOU SAY:

"What do you think Jesus was thinking about when He decided to feed 5,000 people with the loaves of bread and a few fish? He seemed pretty calm about it all! He knew we could **use what you have to serve others**. I know it

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sometimes feels like we need to have more in order to serve and give things away. Maybe for you, you wish you had more time. Maybe you don't think you can afford to let go of that toy you love so much or give up an hour of playing video games. But here's the thing: God wants us to use what we have to serve others! I don't know about you, but I am honored He wants to use me to serve people. That's a pretty cool thing."

[Make It Personal] (Share a personal example of how God used you had to serve someone in a really cool way.)

LIVE FOR GOD APPLICATION ACTIVITY

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2. SERVING PICTURE CHARADES

WHAT YOU NEED: Paper, clipboards, markers

WHAT YOU DO:

- Divide your group into two teams. The person with the birthday closest to today can go first for that team.
- Have the first person from each team play "Rock, Paper, Scissors" to see which team will start.
- Give the person going first a clipboard, marker, and paper. From the list below, whisper one "person" to them. Have them draw the person along with how they can serve them.
 1. Mom
 2. Mail carrier
 3. Garbage collector
 4. Teacher
 5. Coach
 6. Sister
 7. Neighbor
 8. Friend
 9. New kid at school
 10. Teammate
- Explain that their team must guess who the person is and how they are serving them to win a point for the team. If they can't guess within one minute, the other team gets one chance to guess.
- The team with the most points wins.
- Make sure that each kid gets a turn to draw.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"You all made the most out of what you had to help your team guess your mystery service project! What a great reminder about all the ways we can serve people. You don't have to have a million dollars or all the toys or time in the world to meet people's needs. You can **use what you have to serve others.** Think about it. What do you have at your house right now that you can serve others with? (*Allow time for responses.*) Those are great ideas! This week, let's serve others with what we have and do some awesome things around us. I can't wait to hear your stories next week!"

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3. MEMORY VERSE MIXER

WHAT YOU NEED: Items from "What to Serve" activity

WHAT YOU DO:

- Review the memory verse together.
- Encourage your small group to hunt for all the missing food items around the room.
- Explain that their memory verse words are written on each item, and they must put the words in order to form their memory verse.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"That was a long, mixed-up memory verse. You guys must be practicing at home, because you did an excellent job putting it in order! Speaking of order, what does our verse say about being first and last? (*Allow kids time to think and explain in their own words.*) Yes! Great explanations. We can always learn to put others' needs before our wants and to **use what you have to serve others.**"

PRAY TO GOD PRAYER ACTIVITY



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PRAY AND DISMISS

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

- Ask kids to think of one thing that takes up a lot of their time that isn't a need in their life but more of a want. It could be something they choose to do or play with, like a toy, video games, TV, etc.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"God, we thank You so much for being our provider. This week, I ask that You help us think of how we can use our time and resources to serve the people around us. Instead of watching TV or playing video games, maybe we can use what we have to serve others. Help us to have a constant desire to help the world around us so that many can hear about You. In Jesus' name, amen."

As adults arrive to pick up, ask each kid who they got to serve in the serving charades activity. Remind them to **use what you have to serve others** this week.