



THE BOOK OF JOHN

JUNE 21 TODDLERS

CRAFT

- Finger or Hand Print Fathers Day Craft: Try to have all kids make either a finger or hand print sheet for their dad (babies too if you can)

REMINDERS

- As kids arrive, be sure they are engaged in an activity. For any sad toddlers, try to engage them as quickly as possible.
- Limit TV to 1-2 songs over the course of the service. Sing along with them! Be careful not to rely on screens for the whole morning.
- Coloring sheets are always available. Please watch closely to make sure crayons don't go in mouths.
- Remove name tags when they leave.

STORY & SNACK TIME

- About halfway through the service, gather the kids to pray and eat snack together.
- Read *Jesus Feeds Thousands*. Talk about how Jesus took care of the people then and now!
- Not all kids will listen the whole time, and that's okay—still take time to read the story while they eat.

BIBLE STORY

John 6:1-15

BIG IDEA

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3-55

OPENING OPTIONS (first 25 minutes)

- Coloring Sheet and Table Games
- #1 Dad: Kids can color and glue together hands. Try to have as many kids make one as you can.

CLEAN UP SONG and BIBLE BOX

- About 25 minutes into the service, play clean up song and gather kids on carpet.
- Use the Bible Box story to tell the story with Bible Box props
- Pray on the carpet and head into snack time.

SNACK

- Gather kids at tables to eat snack as soon as they return
- Snack Discussion: How did Jesus feed so many people? It must have been a miracle! He is God and He provides for our needs. What are ways that God has provided for you? (place to live, moms and dads, food, friends etc)

CLOSING OPTIONS (as time allows after snack)

- Finish craft or coloring
- Free play

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JUNE 21 BIBLE BOX

As you finish cleaning up. Hey friends, I'm so glad you came to church today! Let's play follow the leader. *Walk around the classroom and come back to circle area and sit down.*

Walking always reminds me of a very special story about Jesus! One day, Jesus and his friends went on a long walk and lots of people followed them. Just like how you followed me around the classroom! The people followed Jesus because they wanted to hear Jesus teach about God's love.

They listened to Jesus all day but by dinner time everyone was super hungry! Let's all rub our tummies like we are hungry.

No one had any food except only one little boy who had 5 little loaves of bread and 2 fish in his lunch bag. Hold up brown bag.

Shake head - that was not enough food to feed all these hungry people. Jesus prayed and thanked God for the boy's lunch. Have children fold hands and pray over brown bag.

And something amazing happened. There was more than enough food for everyone! That's something only Jesus could do! Show children what's in brown bag. I think there's plenty of goldfish crackers in this brown bag for all of us! Let's all celebrate with a big THANK YOU JESUS! *Pass out goldfish at snack table.*

Feel free to watch Saddleback video- Jesus Feeds the 5000 during snack or anytime during the morning.



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KINDER /1ST

OPENING OPTIONS

- Coloring Sheet and Table Games
- Father Day Card: Kids can color or use tissue to fill in bubble letters.

WORSHIP and STORTYTIME

- Leave one volunteer to clean up during storytime so you are ready to go right into small group time. This volunteer should join the rest as soon as clean up and snack is set.

SMALL GROUP TIME (upon returning to your classroom, gather immediately on the carpet for small group time; you may not use all the questions, go through what you are able to)

- Why do you think so many people kept following Jesus? (They had seen His miracles and wanted to learn more about Him.)
- How do you think the disciples felt when they saw such a huge hungry crowd? (Overwhelmed, worried, confused, unsure what to do.)
- Why did Jesus ask Philip where they could buy bread if He already knew what He was going to do? (To help Philip learn to trust Him.)
- What was Philip looking at when he answered Jesus? (The problem, the money, and what seemed impossible.)
- What was Andrew looking at when he answered Jesus? (The boy's lunch and a possible way Jesus could help.)
- Why do you think the boy was willing to give his lunch away? (He may have wanted to help, trusted Jesus, or believed Jesus could use it, we don't know for sure, this is an opinion question)
- What do you think the crowd thought when food just kept coming? (They were amazed, surprised, and excited.)
- Why didn't Jesus stop when everyone had "just enough" food? Why give them all they wanted? (To show His power and generosity.)
- What does this miracle tell us about who Jesus is? (He is the Son of God and has God's power.)
- What is something in your life that feels too big for you but not too big for Jesus? (Encourage all kids to share)

CLOSING OPTIONS

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**JUNE 21
2ND-3RD**

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4TH-5TH**

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- Why do you think Jesus tested Philip instead of simply telling him what He was about to do? (Jesus wanted Philip's faith to grow through the situation.)
- Philip and Andrew both saw the same problem. How were their responses different? (Philip focused on what they didn't have; Andrew at least brought what they did have.)
- Why do you think John includes the detail that the bread was barley bread? (To show the boy was poor and that the lunch was very simple.)
- What does the boy's willingness to give his lunch teach us about trusting God? (We can offer what we have, even when it seems small.)
- Why do you think Jesus had everyone sit down before performing the miracle? (To prepare the people, bring order, and show that He was in control.)
- What would have happened if the disciples had only focused on what was impossible? (They would have missed seeing Jesus work.)
- Why is it important that there were twelve baskets left over after everyone ate? (It shows Jesus provided more than enough and demonstrates His abundance.)
- What does this miracle reveal about Jesus that a normal person could never do? (He has divine power and authority over creation.)
- How do Philip's doubts remind us of our own reactions when we face difficult situations? (We often focus on our limitations instead of God's power.)
- Why do you think God sometimes allows us to face situations we cannot solve on our own? (To help us depend on Him and grow our faith.)
- What is one way God has provided for you recently? (Encourage kids to share and share your own as well)
- What is one area where you need to trust Jesus more this week? (pray together for these things)
- How can remembering this miracle help you the next time you feel worried? (It reminds us that Jesus is powerful and trustworthy.)

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