JESUS FED A CROWD



LEADER BIBLE STUDY



CONTEXT AND COMMENTARY FOR PERSONAL STUDY AND PREPARATION

(For age-appropriate language, use the Bible story statements in the leader guide.)

In 1800s England, George Müller cared for many children through his orphanage. Müller was determined to only ask God for help. He never raised money for the orphanage. One morning, despite having no food to give them, Müller sat all 300 children at the table as though ready for breakfast.

Müller prayed and thanked God for the food they were about to eat. Then they waited. Within minutes, two knocks were heard at the door. The first was the local baker, who had woken up at 2 a.m. burdened to provide bread for the children. The second was the milkman, whose cart had just broken down outside the orphanage. The children ate a full meal of bread and milk directly supplied by the Lord!

Many years earlier, God provided a meal for a vast crowd in an equally miraculous way. After teaching a large crowd of 5,000 men, plus women and children, Jesus faced a sea of hungry and tired people. Jesus knew how God would provide, yet He placed the seemingly impossible situation at the feet of the disciples. Why? So they would learn to rely on Him in every situation. He wanted them to see that what was impossible for them was easy for God. By the end of the day, all 5,000 men, plus the women and children, had eaten their fill from five loaves of bread and two fish, with 12 baskets of leftovers!

Our lives are often filled with seemingly impossible situations. Take a few moments to read Matthew 6:25-34 and allow Jesus' words to strengthen your faith. He knows your situation. Jesus provided for the crowd on the hillside, He provided for George Müller, and He can provide for you.

As you pray this week, openly talk to God about your situation. Ask Him to help you trust in His provision.

TEACHER TIP O

Focus on the babies you are teaching during the class. Even the youngest babies can learn at church. Adult conversation can wait until a later time.

GOD



LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God hears me.

LIFE POINT

God hears and answers prayer.

BIBLE PASSAGE

John 6:1-13

BIBLE VERSE

When we pray, God hears us. 1 John 5:14

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