

SESSION 2

LESSON GUIDE

MISSION:
DEEP SEA

THE BIG IDEA

My faith grows deeper
when I use my gifts.

THE BIBLE

Jesus Feeds the Crowd:
John 6:1-13

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY | Submarine Scramble (Elementary Age)

Older kids will use the Submarine Scramble printable to decode the words to the memory verse. Once they've unscrambled all of the words, they can put it together to form the memory verse and a fleet of submarines. And don't forget to review the memory verse in sign language, too! Note, younger kids might need assistance with this activity.

**"Grasp how WIDE and LONG and DEEP and HIGH is the love of Christ."
Ephesians 3:18 (NIV)**

DISCUSSION

INSTRUCTIONS: *Go through these questions with your kids while they're eating their snack.*

Why were there so many people around who needed to be fed? Jesus was teaching and the people were there to hear Jesus.

What did the young boy have that he was willing to give? Five loaves of bread and two fish.

What did Jesus do before the food was multiplied? Jesus prayed and gave thanks.

Read John 6:12-13. How much food was left over? How is that possible?

Have you ever shared something that you really wanted to keep for yourself?

What gifts, talents, or abilities do you have that God has given you?

How can using your gift help you grow a deeper faith? How can it help you believe in God more?

ACTIVITY | Fingerprint Fish

Did you know that different fish also have different scales? They are kind of like our fingerprints. Take a look at your fingers for a minute. Every print on each finger is different from everyone else's – yours are not the same as mine.

SUPPLIES:

- Fish Outline on Cardstock
- Ink Pad

INSTRUCTIONS: In today's supply bag, you will find a paper with a fish outline on it and an ink pad. Using the ink pad and your thumb, you are going to give the fish scales. First, press your thumb onto the ink pad, and then press it onto the fish, creating scales for the fish. If you have a sibling or a parent nearby, have them make some scales and see how different and unique your fingerprints are!

Remember, God made each one of us unique. We like different things. We grew up in different ways. We have different skills. Different talents. Different gifts. **Our faith grows deeper when we use those gifts!**

ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

In your supply bag every day there will be a new coloring sheet that your kids can color with crayons or markers that goes along with that day's Bible story.
