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I am Here to Share Jesus Kindergarten - 5th grade

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: Jesus is the Bread of Life- John 6:1-15, 22-59

Bottom Line: Jesus is the Only Truth

Leader Context: This week, we are teaching kids that “Jesus Is the Bread of Life.” In John 6:1-15 and 22-59, Jesus fed a large crowd with a small amount of food, performing a miracle only He could do, but teaching an even more important lesson. While physical hunger is something that comes and goes, Jesus is the only true way to have spiritual satisfaction. Kids will learn that they can pass on and tell the truth about who Jesus really is and how He changes our lives.

THE WIN FOR SUNDAY GROUPS: Give kids a first look at The Bible, Jesus, and our need for a Savior by embracing their physical needs or engaging their interests. Use The Code when necessary to help redirect kids and build relationships.

Social

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Instruction Page, Game Sets, Roku Game Instruction Page,

What You Do:

- Play worship songs and other songs available on Roku during the Social Game or while kids are playing.
- Using the supplies and game instruction page, choose one game to play with the kids today.
- As you are playing, use this as a time to call each kid by name and learn their names well.

Say: That was a fun game to get us ready to watch our Bible video. Let's sit and listen to our story today."

Videos

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Bible Story Recap- Say This

Jesus fed *thousands* of people! Everyone, say, “Wow!” (*Wow!*) It would have been pretty amazing to be there and see that miracle! Only Jesus could do something like that—feeding so many people with just a small amount of food—because He is God. Jesus did not only perform this miracle—He told the people how they could *always* be spiritually satisfied, fulfilled, and have life in Him.

Jesus offers a full and whole life in Him to every person who trusts in Him! We can tell others about Jesus since He is the only truth. Everyone, say, “Jesus is the only truth!” (*Jesus is the only truth!*) Jesus is the only true way to have the full and complete life God made us to enjoy and the only true way to have a relationship with God.

Gospel Connection: (refer to the 4 Circles poster in your small group spaces)

(Circle one) When God created the world and people, the world was perfect. The first people had everything they needed, including enough food to eat *and* a close relationship with God that was satisfying and filling.

(Circle two) However, the first people sinned, and everything changed. *Sin* is when we choose to do what we think is best rather than follow what God says is best. Instead of always being satisfied in God, people started to look for happiness and fulfillment in other things. The people in our story today were both physically hungry and spiritually hungry. They needed food, but their biggest need was a relationship with God.

No matter how hard we try to find happiness and satisfaction in other things, it can feel true for a small amount of time, but it won't last forever. Say, "Why?" (*Why?*) Because those things were never meant to be where we find our ultimate joy and satisfaction. Those things were supposed to point us to God. The brokenness from our sin leaves us wanting something that is really and truly satisfying.

(Circle three) Jesus told the people in our Bible story that He would satisfy them forever if they believed in Him! Jesus said that He is the Bread of Life, and that anyone who trusts in Him will never be hungry or thirsty again. Jesus was not talking about literal bread and water. He was using word pictures to teach something deeper—spiritual hunger and thirst. You see, unlike regular food that only satisfies our physical hunger for a little while, a relationship with Jesus satisfies our spiritual hunger forever. Through Jesus we find forgiveness, purpose, and identity. Jesus took the punishment our sin deserved by dying on a cross. Then, He rose again three days later, showing that He's greater and more powerful than both sin and death. This is another miracle only God could do!

(Circle four) Jesus promises that anyone who believes and trusts in Him will get to have life now and forever with Him! Ask, "How?" (*How?*) You can confess your sin, asking Jesus to forgive you, and believe that He took the punishment your sin deserved. Then, you turn away from your sin and follow Jesus instead.

Jesus provides for our greatest need by giving us life forever with Him when we trust in Him. Jesus is the only way to find real and true satisfaction. We can share this truth and pass it on to others so they can have life in Him too. Say, "I am here to share Jesus! (*I am here to share Jesus!*) Say, **"Jesus is the only truth!" (Jesus is the only truth!)**

If you would like to learn more about the truth of Jesus and finding life and satisfaction in Him, talk with me or your Campus Leader. We would love to share with you about how you can have life forever with Jesus!

Jesus *always* satisfies us. When? (*Always!*) Always! Remind the person next to you that **Jesus is the only truth! (Jesus is the only truth!)** Jesus tells us that He is the Bread of Life. When we trust in Him, He provides our greatest need ever—life forever with God. Since Jesus offers this great gift to anyone who trusts in Him, we can share this truth by passing it on. Let me hear you say, "Pass it on!" (*Pass it on!*) We can share that Jesus is the only One who will satisfy us forever! Let's talk to Jesus now and pray, thanking Him for being the only truth. Let's pray in 3-2-1.

Jesus, thank You for being the only truth. Thank You for being the One we can always trust to satisfy us and give us what we need. Help us to remember to trust You always and to share the truth about You with others. Amen.

What's My Favorite? —

Kids will use gestures to help the rest of the group guess their favorite food.

Big Goal: Remember that physical food only satisfies for a little while, but Jesus satisfies us forever.

Leader Prep: None

Supplies: None

What To Do: Today we are going to guess everyone's favorite foods! Everyone, ask, "What's My Favorite?" (*What's My Favorite?*) Take a moment and think of your favorite food. After you've thought of your favorite food, think of some gestures you can use to help the rest of us guess what it is. We will take turns trying to get the rest of the group to guess our favorite foods by only using gestures!

Keep It Going: Play describing another favorite food by using only one word at a time.

Leader Tip: Larger group option: Play in small groups, then switch groups.

Loud And Clear: Everyone likes some great food! It's fun to find out what everyone loves to eat! As delicious as our favorite foods are, the feeling we get when we are full will not last forever. Great food is fun to eat, but we know that Jesus is the Bread of Life who really satisfies us. Everyone, say, "Jesus is the Bread of Life!" (*Jesus is the Bread of Life!*) He always satisfies us by giving us our greatest need: life with Him! Say, **"Jesus is the only truth!"** (*Jesus is the only truth!*)

Let's chat about this more by looking at some questions that make us think deeper.

Discussion Questions:

- What is something fun that you feel like you could do every day? *(Allow kids to answer, and share your own answer. Share that we can want to do fun things, but they won't last forever; Jesus is the Bread of Life that will satisfy us forever.)*
- Cake or other foods can taste so good when you are hungry! The feeling of being full does not last forever though. Jesus said He is the Bread of Life. What do you think that means? *(Regular bread will only satisfy us for a little while, but Jesus satisfies us forever!)*
- The Bible tells us we can pass on the truth about Jesus. Let's open our Bibles to **John 6:35** and read about it together. *(Invite kids to open their Bibles. Read the verse aloud, or invite a kid who volunteers to read the verse aloud. Be sure to have Bibles available for kids who need one. Help kids find the verse so everyone can follow along together.)* What does this Bible verse mean when it says that everyone who comes to Jesus will no longer get hungry or thirsty? *(Allow kids to answer, and share your own answer. Your answer could include that this verse is not talking about physical hunger or thirst. Jesus spiritually satisfies, meaning He makes every person who trusts in Him feel whole and complete. Jesus gives life forever to those who trust in Him.)*
- God gives us food on earth that will satisfy us for a while, but we will always get hungry again. When we trust in Jesus, He satisfies us forever by giving us satisfying life in Him. We do not have to try and fill our lives with things that leave us wanting more—Jesus fills us and helps us be whole and complete in Him. How can you share this good news this week? *(Allow kids to answer, and share your own answer.)*
- The Bible tells us that we are here to share Jesus. That means we can pass on what we are learning about Jesus with our friends and neighbors, and help them understand what is true. What is something you know and believe about Jesus that you can share with others? Is there anything you have questions about? *(Allow kids to answer, and share your own answer.)*

Let's pray and talk to God. *(Lead the group in prayer. Consider using the following prayer prompt.)*

Jesus, thank You for being the Truth. Thank You that we can always trust You. You are the Bread of Life and give satisfying life to everyone who trusts in You. You are always with us. Help us to share the truth about You with others, so that they can have a relationship with You too. Amen.

As you go through your week, remember that you can pass on the truth about Jesus to those around you. He promises to satisfy you forever when you trust in Him. That is the best news you can share with anyone!

Going Home

Pass out the coloring pages for kids to take home. Greet families as they arrive and tell them something about their child you saw today. Say goodbye and call everyone by name.