

Jesus Feeds Five Thousand

Cast

Jesus

Phillip

Andrew

Boy

Peter

Other disciples

Crowd

Props

5 loaves & 2 fish

Sack for lunch

Baskets

Jesus: Phillip, look at all these people. They have been listening to Me all day. It is the end of the day and they are hungry. There's no food here.

Peter: Let's tell them to go to some of the nearby towns and farms to buy food and find a place to stay. There's nothing for them out here!

Jesus: We should be the ones to give them their supper. Phillip, how much would it cost to feed all these people? (Jesus gestures toward the crowd.)

(Phillip looks out over the crowd and does some quick calculations. He shakes his head in despair.)

Phillip: Jesus, there's no way. It would cost two hundred dollars for everyone to have just a little bit. We don't have two hundred dollars, and if we did, there is no one here to buy food from.

Andrew: One boy brought his supper with him. He has five pieces of bread and two little fish. But that won't go very far, will it?

(Andrew leads the boy, carrying his sack-lunch, to Jesus. The boy smiles at Jesus.)

Jesus: That's fine! Guys, get the people to sit down on the grass over there. (Jesus motions to the side). Here, son, let's share with everybody, shall we?

(The boy hesitates, then gives his lunch to Jesus. The disciples look at Jesus like he's gone crazy.)

Jesus: Let's pray. Father, thank you that you are able to provide for all our needs. Amen.

(Jesus starts to hand out the food).

Phillip: Don't give everybody so much! You'll run out before you get started.

(Jesus passes out the food to everyone. Everybody eats until they have enough.)

Peter: Andrew, I don't believe it. That supper was supposed to feed one little boy and it was enough to feed five thousand families.

Jesus: We can't leave this place in a mess. Let's get some baskets and pick up the leftovers.

(The disciples go around picking up leftovers.)

Jesus: How much was left over?

Phillip: (Amazed) Twelve bushel baskets!!

Peter: People will talk about this for a long time.