



Family Conversation Guide

(April 11, 2021)

READ AND DISCUSS

Before listening to the sermon, ask family members to find [John 6:1-15](#) in their Bibles. Give them pens and paper so that they can take notes. Say: **“The title of this sermon is ‘Multiplied Miracles.’ What is a miracle?** Let’s listen to the sermon to find out how God can work miracles in our lives.

1. Before the miracle in this scripture happened, Jesus took some time apart. He retreated. Jesus often took time away, to rest and spend time with God. **Why is this important? If it was important for Jesus, is it also important for us?** (*Read these quotes*)
 - “If you don’t come apart, you’ll come apart.”
 - “If you don’t take a break, you’ll break.”
 - “If you’re burning the candle at both ends, you’re not as bright as you think you are.”
2. A large crowd was following Jesus. The miracle of feeding the 5,000 referred to 5,000 men. **How many people do you think were actually there on that day, including women and children?**
3. **Why were the people following Jesus?** (*He was healing the sick, He was performing miracles*)
4. [Read verses 3-5.](#) Jesus was sitting and teaching His disciples when He saw the crowd coming toward Him. **What did Jesus ask Philip?**

5. [Read verse 6](#). **Why did Jesus ask Philip?** (*Jesus knew He could and would feed the people, but He was testing Philip's faith*)
6. In [verse 7](#), **what did Philip say it would cost to feed these people?**
7. **What did Jesus want His disciples to understand?** (*He wanted them to believe and have faith*)
 - o "It's not by my might but by God's power that things are accomplished, says the Lord." [Zechariah 4: 6](#)
 - o "Nothing is impossible with God." [Matthew 19:26](#)
 - o "Behold, I am the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for me?" [Jeremiah 32:17](#)
 - o "It is by your weakness that you are made strong." [2 Corinthians 12:9](#)
8. **Why was Jesus testing their faith?** (*Jesus knew what He was going to do, but He was testing the faith of His disciples. Teachers give tests to make sure that we know what we should know!*)
9. [Read verses 8 and 9](#). **What did Andrew tell Jesus? Did Andrew believe this boy's lunch would be helpful?**
10. [Read verses 10 and 11](#). **What did Jesus tell Andrew to do?** (*Have the people sit down*)
What did Jesus do before He gave the food? (*He gave thanks*)
11. **How could there be enough food to feed all of those people?** (*Jesus multiplied the amount of food. He performed a miracle.*)
12. **How much was left over?** ([Verse 13](#)) **What did Jesus tell the disciples to do with it?**
13. [Read verse 14](#). **What did the people say about Jesus?**
14. In [verse 15](#), Jesus left before He could be crowned king. **Why did He not want to be a king?** (*He came as a spiritual king, not an earthly king. He wants to rule over our hearts.*)

Jesus is not here just to meet our needs, but He wants us to serve, and give Him the glory.)

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Write the following passages on a large sheet of paper or a chalkboard:

- Be thankful
- Give grace to others
- Use my words to build others up
- Give generously
- Be a servant
- Give God the glory
- Pray, asking and believing that God can do miracles in my life

Say: “In the sermon this week, David Chadwick says that God wants to give us miracles. Have you ever prayed for a miracle? Do you believe God can answer those prayers? Here is a list of ways we can have miracles in our lives. Let’s read through this list and talk about ways we can do these things.”

PRAYER

“Dear Jesus, We want to believe that You can do miracles in our lives. Please help us to have faith in Your goodness and power to do more than we could ever ask or imagine. In Jesus’ name. Amen.”

FOR YOUNGER KIDS

Watch “The Big Picnic” in The Bible App for Kids and discuss with your younger children. <https://bibleappforkids.com>

1. This is a true Bible story about a miracle that Jesus performed. **What was the amazing thing that Jesus did?**
2. Jesus wants us to have faith and believe that He can do anything. **What can Jesus do?** (*Jesus can do anything!*)

3. Jesus can do miracles in our lives, too. **Let's pray: "Dear Jesus, Thank You for showing us that You can do amazing things. Help us to believe that You can do big things in our lives, too! We love You. In Jesus' name, Amen"**