

## Fun Fish – Toddlers in COLOUR

### Session 11: Be Giving – GREEN– A Big Meal

**Memory Line:** “Be kind to each other.” (Ephesians 4:32)

**Welcome:**

**Theme Song:** to the tune of Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

*Twinkle, twinkle, little star. God loves you just as you are.*

*Up above the world so high. Like a diamond in the sky.*

*Twinkle, twinkle, little star. God loves you just as you are.*

#### **Colour and Topic:**

Green is everywhere in the world, except the desert, where everything is brown. You need water to keep grass green, to keep trees green, and to keep plants green. And if you remember to water your plant, it will stay green.

#### **Bible Story: A Big Meal (John 6)**

Dolls, puppets or dressed up wooden spoons:

Jesus

Boy

Helpers

Crowd

**Materials needed:** (feel free to replace the items with what you already have)

12 Baskets (or bowls)

Fish and bread

Green cloth for field.

#### **Reflective Time (interactive):**

Sometimes we want to give a gift, but we don't know what to give. What did the boy give? What did Jesus give? Giving is more than just giving things. It is doing nice things for people. Review the memory line and remember that whenever you see the colour green, be giving.

**Short Prayer:** “Dear God, help us to give to others. Amen.”

**Sing a Song:**

“Toddlers in COLOUR” card for this session:



## Story 11: A Big Meal (John 6)

Everyone sat on a mountain with Jesus. One little boy came as well. He brought a packed lunch. Five loaves and two fish. He sat on the GREEN grass and listened with everyone else. No one wanted to miss a word.

Suddenly Jesus turned to his helpers. "Helpers, it's time to eat. Let's give everyone some lunch."

The helpers jumped up in shock. "What? This is impossible. There are too many people here. We can't feel them all."

Then they had an idea. "Did anyone bring a lunch?" they called to the crowd. They thought everyone would say yes. Only a little boy raised his hand.

"I did," said the boy. He opened his packed lunch!

The helpers stared. "This is nothing," they said, "but let's tell Jesus anyway."

"This is perfect!" said Jesus. He took the food and bowed his head. "Dear God, thank you for what you give. Amen."

He broke the fish and bread and passed them to his helpers. The helpers passed them out to the crowd. Soon everyone had enough. That food kept coming and coming.

Then Jesus said, "There is so much food left on the GREEN grass, everyone, let's tidy up!" So, they filled up twelve baskets with leftover fish and bread.

"How did that happen?" asked the boy.

Jesus smiled. "You gave me little. God made it big."

And that is what happens when we give. It doesn't just bless us, it blesses everyone.