

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

Scripture

John 6:4-14,26-27,32-35

Session Summary

Jesus, the Son of God, the divine teacher and healer of humanity, on His way to the cross to die for the forgiveness of sins, noticed others' physical needs and made plans to meet those needs. Jesus could have fed all the people right away by speaking food into existence or turning the stones on the ground into bread. The story tells us the number of men who were in the crowd was five thousand, not counting women and children. Five biscuits and some fish jam for over five thousand hungry mouths just wasn't enough. But Jesus does the impossible: He took a meager meal and multiplied it into a fantastic feast. Jesus told His hearers, and us, not to chase after things that perish but to go for the eternal bread that satisfies forever.

Conversation Questions

- What are some physical needs that we see around us that our family could meet this week?
- Why is it important to not only address the physical needs of someone?
- How has our family seen God make much with only a little?
- What things are we tempted to chase after in this life that have no eternal value?

Family Challenge

Create a game plan of how you could meet some physical needs around you this week. This may mean helping a neighbor clean up their yard, helping babysit for a family who couldn't afford it otherwise, providing dinner for someone recovering from surgery, and so on. Be creative and do it together! Don't forget to point them to Christ as the One who can provide for both their physical and spiritual needs.