

The Great Deliverer: Tracing God's Plan from Moses to Jesus

June Week 4

K-5

8:30/11:00

Passage: • Exodus 16:4, 15, 32-33, Matthew 14:13-20

Main Point: God provided manna for Israel, and Jesus provided food for the crowd. Jesus is our provider and the Bread of life

Bottom Line: God is our provider

Curious Question

Ask: If you could have one food appear from heaven every morning, what would you choose?
Explain

"Today we're going to discover two amazing stories that show us that God is our Provider—and Jesus is the Bread of Life!"

Comparison Activity

Draw two columns and compare and discuss as a class

Comparison

Moses	Jesus
God sent manna through Moses	Jesus multiplied bread Himself
Bread fed people physically	Jesus feeds our hearts and souls
Manna lasted one day	Jesus is our forever Provider
People needed manna repeatedly	Jesus is the Bread of Life

Discussion Questions

Ask guiding questions:

- Why did the Israelites need manna?
- Who provided the manna?
- Why were the disciples worried?
- How much food did Jesus start with?
- What happened after Jesus blessed the food?
- Has God ever provided something you needed?
- What does it mean that Jesus is the Bread of Life?

Review Game

"Basket Toss"

Supplies:

- baskets
- soft balls

Ask questions.

If a child answers correctly, they toss the ball into the basket.

Questions:

- What did God send from heaven?
- What does manna mean?
- Who led Israel?
- How many loaves did the boy have?
- How many fish?
- Approximately how many people ate?
- Was there enough food?
- Who is our Provider?

"Manna Hunt"

Hide cotton balls all around the room.

Tell the children:

"The Israelites woke up one morning and found tiny white flakes on the ground! They asked, 'What is it?' That's actually what the word manna means."

Play:

- Give each child a small basket or cup.
- Let them gather as much "manna" as they can in one minute.
- Explain:
 - God gave the Israelites enough for each day.
 - They had to trust Him every morning.

Ask:

- Was it hard not knowing where the cotton balls were?
- How do you think the Israelites felt?

Prayer Plate Craft

Paper plate divided into four sections.

Children draw:

- Something God provides physically.
- Someone God gave them.
- Something they thank God for.
- Jesus as the Bread of Life.

Middle:

"God Is My Provider"