

STUDY AIDS

Story 30

Jesus Feeds Thousands of People

A Bible Story from the Books of
Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John

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OPEN BIBLE STORIES



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A Guide to Using the Stories in the Open Bible Stories

The Reason For The Stories

The stories in the OBS tell about things that happened in the Bible. However, the stories are shorter than the Bible accounts, and the language is often easier to understand. The stories can help people learn about who God is and about what he has done. Also, each paragraph of a story has an image that can help people understand what happened in Bible times when clothing, houses, and culture were very different than they are today.

How to Use The Stories

- **Choose a story to read.** The stories will be easier to understand if you read the stories in order, beginning with the first story
- **Read the story.** In a group, one person may read the story aloud, or the people may take turns reading portions.
- **Look at the images.** Use the images to help you understand what happened in the time of the story. Try to identify the people in the images.
- **Refer to the Notes.** Read the study notes whenever there is a word or something else that you do not understand in the story.
- **Discuss the Questions.** Read each question and think about the answer. The first set of questions help you see what the story says. The next set of questions help you think about what the story means to you. If you are in a group, allow different people to offer answers to the questions. Look at the answer to each question and see how it is the same as your answer, or different from it.
- **Read the Summary.** Read the story summary at the end of the questions. Think about what you have learned about God in the story. If you are in a group, ask the group what they have learned from the story.

The Parts of The Stories

- The text of the stories
- The images in the stories
- The study notes in the stories
- The questions for the stories

Study Notes

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Jesus sent his apostles to preach and teach people in many different villages. When they returned to where Jesus was, they told him what they had done. Then Jesus invited them to go with him to a quiet place across the lake to rest for a while. So, they got into a boat and went to the other side of the lake.

the lake - This refers to the Sea of Galilee.

to the other side of the lake - They went across the northern part of the lake. This would have been about 5-8 kilometers by boat.



Slide 2

But there were many people who saw Jesus and the disciples leave in the boat. These people ran along the shore to get to the other side ahead of them. So when Jesus and the disciples arrived, a large group of people was already there, waiting for them.

to get to the other side - The distance around that part of the lake was about 8-10 kilometers

