

AUGUST 2: BASKET 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INCLUDED:

- Basket template
- 2 raffia strings (assorted colors)
- 1 loaves and fish template



USE YOUR OWN:

- Scissors
- Markers or crayons



MATTHEW 14:13-21



When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, “This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves.” Jesus said to them, “There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves.” But they said to him, “Five loaves and two fish are all we have here.” Then he said, “Bring them here to me,” and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over— twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children.

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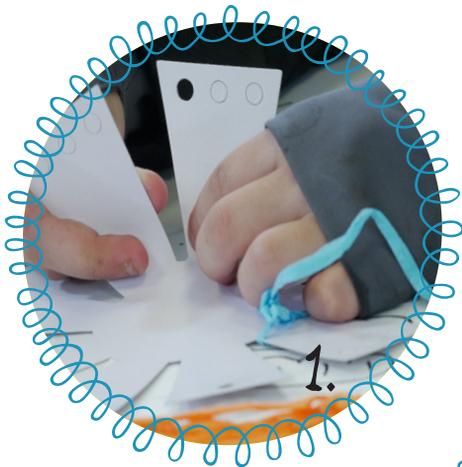
1. Have you ever thought that what you have wasn't enough to be generous? How did Jesus respond?

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1. When we are generous with what we have and listen to God, we give Him room to multiply the blessings! Jesus fed a whole crowd.

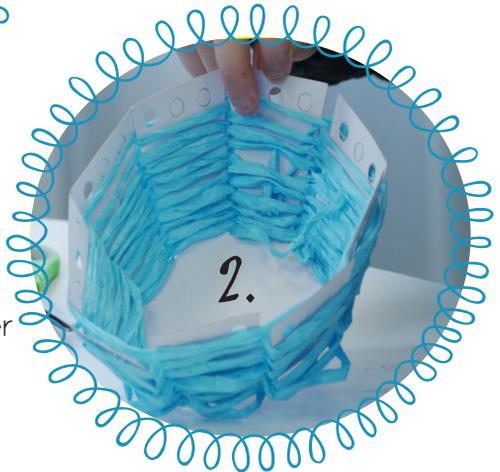
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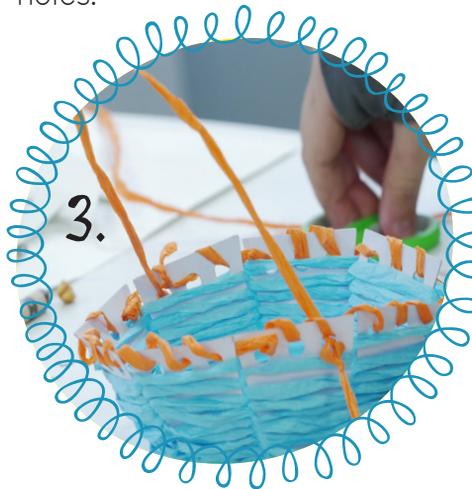


1. Fold the 'arms' up to form a bowl-like shape. Unroll the big bundle of raffia. Tie one end of the raffia to the base of one of the arms, and weave the raffia in and out of the basket arms until you get to the top of the basket.

2. Secure the raffia's end by tucking it into the weaving and tying at the base. Poke out the holes in the tops of the arms. Tie the end of the smaller bundle of raffia to one of the holes.



3. Weave the end of the raffia over the basket's top and through the holes. You can make a creative pattern! Tuck the end through your basket weaving and tie it off or make the extra into a handle.



4. Color in the 5 loaves and 2 fish and cut them out. Put the loaves and fish in the basket to remember how Jesus multiplied the loaves and fish to feed the crowd. Think about all the ways that Jesus takes care of us.

