# The Boy Who Gave His Lunch to Jesus



Explore faith and generosity through the story of the boy who shared his lunch, discovering Jesus' power to multiply and provide.





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#### Introduction

Welcome to a transformative 7-day journey exploring one of the most inspiring moments in Jesus' ministry — the story of the boy who gave his lunch. In this short but powerful account found in *John 6:1-14*, a young boy's simple act of kindness becomes the catalyst for a miraculous feeding of thousands. This story not only highlights the generosity of the boy but also reveals Jesus' power to multiply and provide in abundance.

Throughout this study, you will dive into the beautiful themes of **faith**, **generosity**, **trust**, **and service**. The boy didn't have much, just five barley loaves and two small fish, but he gave what he had without hesitation. His example challenges us to ask: *What do I have that I am willing to offer God today?* Often, God works through small acts of faith and obedience to accomplish great things.

As you read and reflect on this narrative, expect to see how God can use your contributions, no matter how small they seem, to bring about His kingdom purposes. This study is designed to encourage you to trust Jesus in your daily life, open your hands in generosity, and embrace the joy that comes with serving others. Each day includes scripture, devotional insights, reflective questions, journaling prompts, and a prayer to deepen your understanding and connect your heart to God's word.

Prepare to be inspired, challenged, and uplifted as you walk with the boy who placed his lunch in Jesus' hands and witnessed a miracle that still speaks over







two thousand years later. May you discover that your faith and generosity, when surrendered to Christ, can bring forth abundant blessings. 🙏

















#### Your Verse

John 6:9 - 'Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- 2 Corinthians 9:7 'Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.'
- Mark 12:41–44 'A poor widow put in two very small copper coins... Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others."'







#### Devotional: Faith in Small Gifts Unleashes God's Power

On the surface, a boy with five barley loaves and two fish seems to have very little. Yet, when this small offering was placed in Jesus' hands, it became the seed for a miracle. This day reminds us that God does not require greatness or abundance; He delights in our hearts willing to give.

Your gifts, no matter how small they seem, matter when offered to God with trust. The boy did not hesitate or hold back. He shared his lunch, not knowing what would happen next. This challenges us to consider how often we hold tightly to what we have, thinking it's too little to matter.

God asks for *our willingness, our faith, and our open hands*. Today, reflect on what you can genuinely offer—whether time, talents, resources, or love—because God can multiply your simple gifts into something extraordinary.







## Reflect and Apply

1.	What are some small things in your life you hesitate to offer God?
2.	How does the boy's willingness challenge your view of generosity?
3.	In what ways might God want to use your gifts, no matter the size?







## **Journaling Prompts**

	List the resources or talents you have that feel small but could be used by God.
2.	Write about a time when a small act you did made a big difference.
	Reflect on your attitude towards giving—do you give cheerfully or reluctantly?







#### Prayer for Today

**Dear Lord,** today I thank You for the example of the boy who gave his lunch. Help me to have a willing heart and to trust that even my smallest gifts can be used by You for great purposes. Teach me to give cheerfully without hesitation, knowing You multiply generously. May I trust Your provision and be bold in offering all I have to Your hands. *In Jesus' name, Amen.*  $\bigwedge$ 

















#### Your Verse

John 6:11 - 'Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated... and also as much of the fish as they wanted.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Philippians 4:19 'And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.'
- Psalm 23:1 'The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.'







#### Devotional: Faith Multiplied Through Thanksgiving

Jesus' simple act of giving thanks before distributing the loaves and fish teaches us an important lesson: trust in God's provision. The boy brought his lunch, but it was Jesus who multiplied it, feeding thousands with more than enough left over.

**Thankfulness invites us to recognize God's power and abundance**. When we acknowledge that all we have comes from Him, our hearts shift from scarcity to abundance. This is the heart of trusting Jesus—believing He can provide beyond our expectations.

Like the boy, we may only have a few resources or a small contribution, but when Jesus takes it, He makes it enough—more than enough. This day calls you to surrender your worries about lack and begin to trust Jesus to provide for your every need.







# Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you practice thankfulness in your daily life?
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2.	In what areas do you struggle to trust God's provision?
3.	What does it look like to give your 'little' to Jesus and trust Him with it?







## **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about times when God unexpectedly provided for you.
2.	List things you often worry about providing for yourself or others.
3.	Describe how giving thanks changes your perspective on your resources.







#### Prayer for Today

**Loving Father,** thank You for your faithfulness and provision. Help me to trust You like the boy who gave his lunch and Jesus who multiplied it. Teach me to cultivate a heart of gratitude and to rest in the knowledge that You supply all my needs. Increase my faith and remind me daily that with You, there is always abundance. *In Jesus' precious name, Amen.* 

















#### Your Verse

Acts 20:35 - 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Luke 6:38 'Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over...'
- Proverbs 11:25 'A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.'







#### Devotional: A Heart Opened to Bless Others

The boy's generosity was not about receiving recognition but about meeting a need. His simple act inspired the crowd and showed that generosity opens the door for God's blessings to flow.

**Giving is a blessing in itself**. When we give from our hearts, even in small ways, we reflect God's love and experience the joy that comes from blessing others. The boy's lunch became a powerful example demonstrating that generosity unlocks God's work in incredible ways.

Ask yourself today: How can my generosity reflect God's heart? How might my willingness to give—even when resources feel limited—inspire others and invite God's kingdom into my world?







# Reflect and Apply

1.	How has generosity impacted your faith journey?
2.	What motivates you to give—expectation or love?
3.	How can your generosity today inspire someone else?







## **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about a time your generosity brought unexpected joy.
2.	Identify ways you can give your time or resources this week.
3.	Reflect on how giving has shaped your relationship with God.







#### Prayer for Today

**Gracious God,** thank You for showing me the blessing in generosity. Help me to give freely and joyfully like the boy who offered his lunch. May my gifts, big or small, be used to bless others and glorify You. Open my heart to be a channel of Your love and provision. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* 









# Day 4: Serving Others in Faith









Day 4: Serving Others in Faith

#### Your Verse

Mark 10:45 - 'For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Galatians 5:13 'Serve one another humbly in love.'
- 1 Peter 4:10 'Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace.'







Day 4: Serving Others in Faith

#### Devotional: Faith Expressed Through Loving Service

The boy's willingness to share his lunch was a form of service. In offering what he had, he actively participated in meeting the needs of others through Jesus.

**Serving others is an expression of faith**. When we serve, we demonstrate trust in God's plans and love for people. Service that flows from faith not only helps others but also deepens our relationship with Christ as we follow His example.

Today, consider how you might serve those around you, even in small ways. When you step out in faith to serve, God uses your efforts to multiply love and blessings in ways you cannot imagine.







Day 4: 🕿 Serving Others in Faith

### Reflect and Apply

Where do you see opportunities to serve in your community or church?
How does serving strengthen your faith?
What fears or excuses hold you back from serving others?







Day 4: 🕿 Serving Others in Faith

## **Journaling Prompts**

1.	List ways you have served others recently and how it impacted you.
2.	Write about a person you feel called to serve.
3.	Reflect on how serving shapes your understanding of Jesus' mission.







Day 4: 🕿 Serving Others in Faith

#### Prayer for Today

**Lord Jesus,** thank You for Your perfect example of humble service. Please open my eyes and heart to opportunities to serve others in love and faith. Help me to overcome any fears or excuses and to trust You as I step out to meet needs around me. Use my service to glorify You and bless Your people. *In Your name, Amen.* 🕽 🗨 🙏















#### Your Verse

John 6:12-13 - 'When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over..." So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Hebrews 11:6 'Without faith it is impossible to please God.'
- James 2:17 'Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.'







#### Devotional: Obedience Unlocks God's Abundant Miracles

The boy's obedience in sharing his lunch was the starting point of a miracle. Jesus blessed the loaves and fish, and His disciples gathered the leftovers, showing God's abundant provision when we step out in faith and obedience.

**Obedience activates God's power**. When we respond to God's call, even in small ways, we open the door for Him to work miracles beyond our imagination. Faithful obedience leads to blessings not only for us but for many others as well.

Consider the ways God might be calling you to obey — perhaps to share, to forgive, or to act in faith. Choose obedience today and watch how God multiplies your steps of faith into abundant blessings.







# Reflect and Apply

1.	What does obedience to God look like in your current season?
2.	How do you respond when God calls you to step out in faith?
3.	Have you seen God multiply your obedience in the past?







## **Journaling Prompts**

Recall a time you obediently followed God and witnessed a blessing.
Write about any current challenges where God is calling you to obey.
List practical steps you can take to deepen obedience in your life.







#### Prayer for Today

Father God, thank You for the reminder that obedience leads to miraculous outcomes. Help me to listen carefully and obey Your voice, trusting that You will multiply my faith. Give me courage to respond quickly and faithfully, knowing that with You all things are possible. Through Jesus Christ, Amen.























Day 6: Verving With a Generous Heart

#### Your Verse

Romans 12:13 – 'Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Matthew 25:40 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'
- 2 Corinthians 8:7 'Excel in the grace of giving.'







Day 6: Verving With a Generous Heart

#### Devotional: Generosity Reflects God's Love in Action

As the boy gave what he had to Jesus, he showed generosity that was not selfish or hesitant but joyful and trusting. Generous service flows from a heart transformed by God's grace and love.

God calls us to serve others with generosity and hospitality. This means looking beyond ourselves to meet the needs of those around us. When we do, we serve Jesus directly and demonstrate His kingdom on earth.

Let your heart be open today to those in need. Whether through time, resources, or encouragement, your generous spirit can bring life and hope in the most unexpected ways. Generosity is a powerful testimony of faith in action.







Day 6: V Serving With a Generous Heart

# Reflect and Apply

1.	How has receiving generosity impacted your life?
2.	In what ways can you practice hospitality and generosity today?
3.	What attitudes or fears keep you from giving generously?







Day 6: V Serving With a Generous Heart

## **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Describe a time when you experienced God's generosity through others.
2.	Make a list of practical ways to show generous hospitality this week.
3.	Reflect on how generosity changes your relationship with God and others.







Day 6: Verving With a Generous Heart

#### Prayer for Today

**Lord,** fill my heart with Your generous love. Teach me to serve others with joy and openness, just as the boy gave his lunch freely. Help me to see the needs around me and respond with grace and kindness. May my life be a reflection of Your generosity to the world. *In Jesus' name, Amen.*  $\heartsuit$   $\heartsuit$   $\clubsuit$ 







# Day 7: 🎇 Living a Life of Faith and Giving









Day 7: X Living a Life of Faith and Giving

#### Your Verse

2 Corinthians 9:6 – 'Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.'

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Matthew 10:42 'And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.'
- Colossians 3:23 'Work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters.'







Day 7: X Living a Life of Faith and Giving

# Devotional: Faith and Generosity: A Life of Abundant Blessing

Wrapping up this study, we reflect on the lifelong journey of faith and giving demonstrated by the boy's story. Living a life of faith means trusting God with everything, including our resources, time, and talents.

God promises that generosity sown in faith produces a harvest of blessings—not just material but spiritual growth, joy, and deeper connection with God. Every act of faith and giving, no matter how small, is significant and used by God for His glory.

Embrace a lifestyle that keeps your hands open and heart willing. Celebrate the miracle that happens when faith and generosity meet Jesus' power—the same power that fed thousands from a boy's lunch.







Day 7: 🎇 Living a Life of Faith and Giving

# Reflect and Apply

1.	How can you cultivate a lifelong habit of faith-filled generosity?
2.	What blessings have you experienced through giving and serving?
3.	In what ways can you encourage others to trust and give generously?







Day 7: 🎇 Living a Life of Faith and Giving

## **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write a personal commitment statement about faith and generosity.
2.	List practical habits that will help you live generously every day.
3.	Reflect on the legacy you want to leave as a generous follower of Christ.







Day 7: 💥 Living a Life of Faith and Giving

#### Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for teaching me through the boy's story about faith, generosity, and provision. Help me to live each day trusting You completely and giving generously. May my life reflect Your love and bring glory to Your name, bearing fruit for Your kingdom. Strengthen me to continue walking this path of faith with open hands and a willing heart. *In Jesus' mighty name, Amen.* 🎇 🙏 👀







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