Jesus Feeds 5,000 SPARIS



John 6:1-14

God provides abundantly.



I wonder...

- How many people in the crowd knew they were part of a miracle.
- What that kid thought about Jesus using his food!
- What Jesus said when he gave thanks for the food everyone was about to eat.

Enough for Everyone

Jon finished packing his stuff in a big duffel bag, ready for another move to another foster home. He likes the family he's been with, but they are moving out of state and the rules say that he can't go with them. "Don't worry," said his social worker, Gail. "You're going to a great foster home. You should be able to stay there as long as you need to." Gail was going to drop him off there.

Jon arrives at a big old house. He can tell right away that lots of kids live there. It looks homey, not fancy, but nice. There's an old-fashioned swing on the big porch, bikes across the driveway, and a rope swing on a big oak tree. When he meets Ms. Miller, she says to call her "Mama Miller" if he wants to, like everyone else does. And then the other kids start trickling in to meet him too. Jon leans in and asks Gail how many kids live here. Mama Miller overhears. She laughs and says,

"Oh, honey, you can never have too many people to love!"

As she gives Jon a tour of his new home, she explains who's who: biological, adopted, or foster. She goes on to say that no matter how you get here, everyone gets plenty of food, decent clothes, a space of one's own, and love. At Mama Miller's, you never run out of love. Gail smiles at Jon. As she hugs him good-bye, he hears her say, "Welcome home."

