CRISIS OF FAITH

Homelink March 12, 2017

Memory Verse:

"Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

- Romans 10:9

One Big Thing:

Jesus is the bread of life.

Review:

This week in Kidtown we learned that Jesus is the bread of life. In this passage of scripture, Jesus has just fed 5,000 people with only 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish, and crowds of people are following him in response to this miracle. Jesus knows that these people don't want to know him - they only want to witness his miracles and a free meal. However, he knows that what they need is real, lasting bread - bread that is completely satisfying and will never perish. This kind of bread is Jesus himself. Just like physical bread nourishes our bodies and keeps us alive, Jesus gives us life and nourishes our souls. Jesus is the bread we need to keep us alive and in right relationship with God. He is all we need to survive. (John 6:47-51)

Good Questions to Ask:

1. Q: Why were the crowds following Jesus?

A: The crowds had just witnessed Jesus perform a miracle; he fed so many people with a tiny amount of food. They were following Jesus because they wanted to see him perform more miracles and because they wanted more food.

2. Q: What does Jesus promise the crowds instead of a loaf of bread?

A: Jesus knows that bread will only help us live for a little while. He is teaching the crowd that in order to have real life and joy forever, they need him. Jesus tells them that a relationship with him is the thing that they need.

3. Q: What does Jesus mean when he says, "I am the bread of life?"

A: If we don't eat, we die. God designed food to keep us alive, strengthen our bodies, and help us grow. He also designed us for a relationship with himself. Without Jesus rescuing us, we die. We need Jesus to give us eternal life, strengthen us, and help us grow to be more like him.

Pray together as a family:

"Father, thank you for sending your son Jesus to be the bread of life. Help us to see that apart from Him, we will never be truly satisfied. Thank you that when we trust Jesus to be our hero, we get to enjoy the bread of life forever. Amen."

