



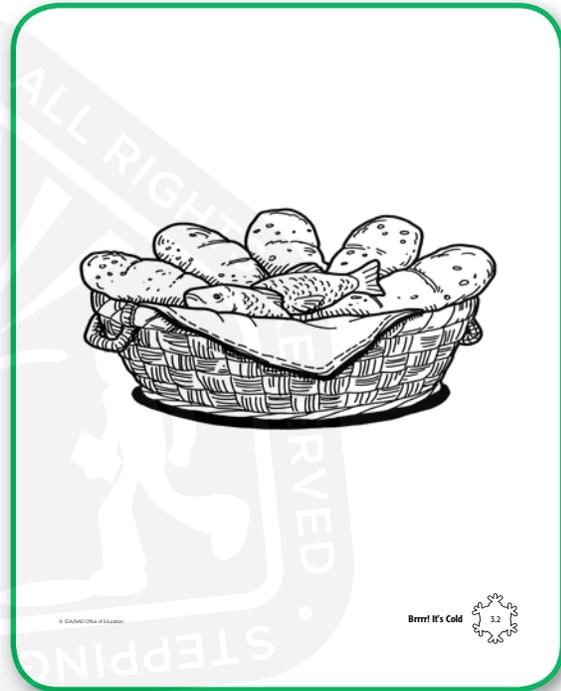
WORSHIP/BIBLE ACTIVITIES

INTRODUCING THE BIBLE STORY

Build on shared experiences and activate prior knowledge to introduce the Bible story.

Introducing: **God Gives Me . . .**

Copy Blackline 3.2 onto white construction paper. Place this picture along with sheets of paper on the floor in a circle. There should be a sheet of paper for each child in your class. Play music as the children walk around the circle. Tell them that when the music stops, they must stand next to the closest sheet of paper. The child standing next to the picture of the basket of loaves and fishes must tell the class something that God has given him or her. Examples include food, family, friends, and home.



Introducing: **"Because He Cares for Me"**

After the children have had sufficient time to play "God Gives Me . . .," gather them in a group. Invite the children to recall all the gifts mentioned that God has given to them. Record their responses on a chart. Draw a simple illustration next to each gift. When the list is complete, choose one child at a time to point to an item on the list as you talk about how Jesus cares for us and gives us what we need. Sing "Because He Cares for Me" to the tune of "The Farmer in the Dell" after each item is selected.

Jesus cares for me.
Jesus cares for me.
He gives me good food to eat.*
Jesus cares for me.

*Adapt the words of the song to include items that the children listed.