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# Jesus Feeds 5,000

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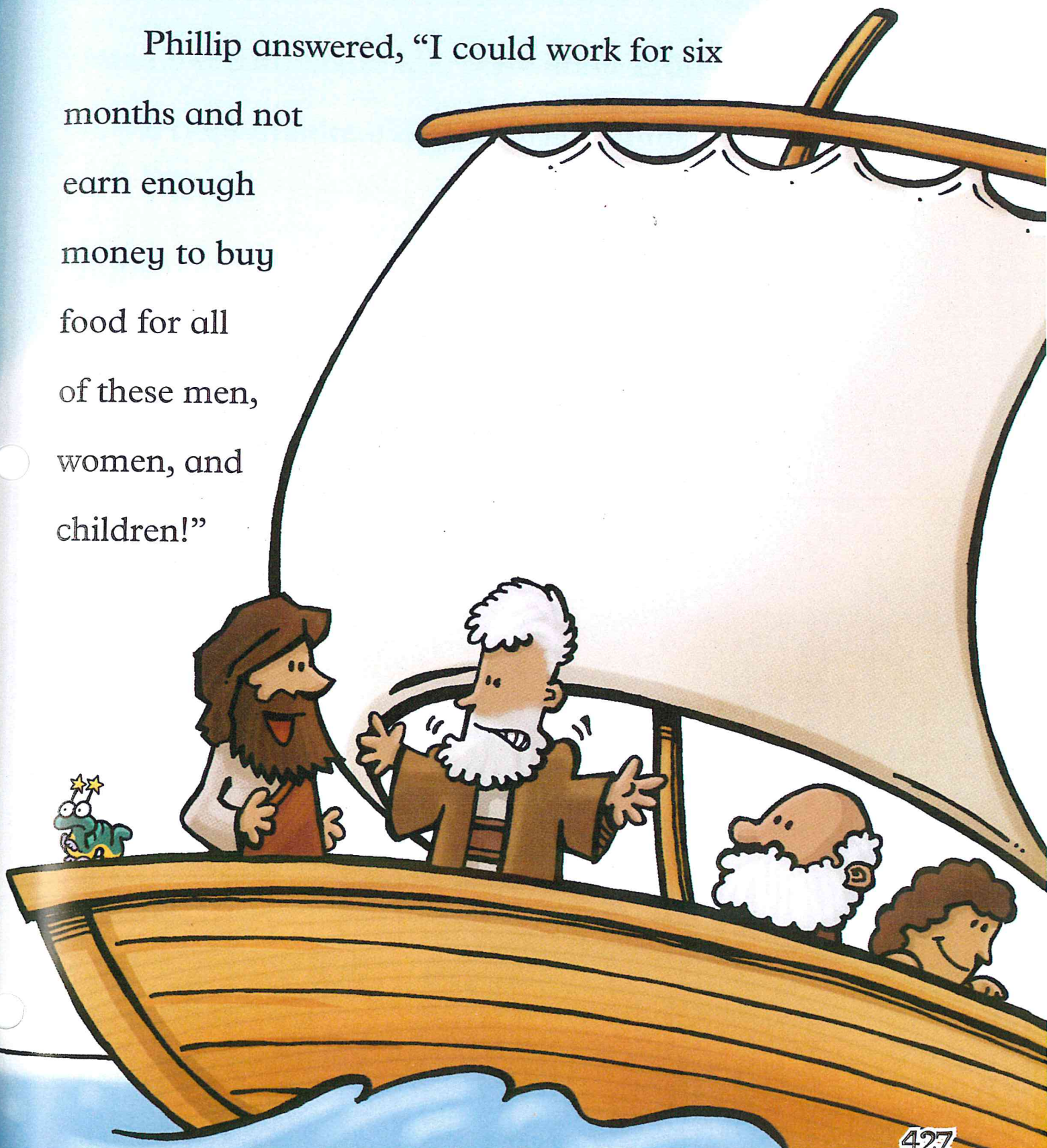
It was a beautiful, sunny day as Jesus and his disciples crossed the Sea of Galilee in a boat with white sails. Jesus had been healing sick people, and many more people of all ages came to see him again that day. Maybe they could hear more of Jesus' stories or see him show God's power through another miracle!

When Jesus saw the large crowd of men, women, and children he asked his friend, Phillip, "How are we going to get enough food to feed all of these people?"





Phillip answered, "I could work for six months and not earn enough money to buy food for all of these men, women, and children!"





The disciples didn't know what to do. Just then, Andrew pointed to a young child and said, "Here is a boy who has five small loaves of bread and two fish. It is something, but it certainly isn't enough food for all of these people!"

The boy looked very nervous as he said in a small voice, "Jesus, please take my food if you think it will help."

Jesus took the five loaves of bread and two fish that the boy offered and

asked his friends to

have the crowd

sit down. About

5,000 people

sat in the grassy

meadow by the lake

that day!





After Jesus gave thanks to God he blessed the five loaves of bread and two fish. Then he shared the food with all of the people who were there that day. All 5,000 people ate until they were full!





Then Jesus said, “Now, let’s gather up all of the leftovers.” And do you know what? There were enough leftover pieces of bread to fill 12 large baskets—more loaves and fishes leftover than the boy had given to Jesus! The disciples shook their heads in disbelief as they struggled to pick up the baskets, heavy with food.





The people saw the full baskets of leftovers and began to understand that something extraordinary had just happened—another miracle!

Jesus smiled as he heard people say, “God must have sent Jesus to us!” It was a day the boy, the disciples, and all of the people would never forget.

### *The Word of the Lord*

★ If you were the boy who gave Jesus his food that day, what would you tell people about what happened?

