

CHAMPS



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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PRAY FOR WISDOM:

Lord, thank You for being so generous. Thank You for the selfless examples of love and sharing in the early Church. Enable me, in turn, set an example of generosity for the children I teach.

Father, encourage these children to discover the joy they can experience as they learn to share with others. May generosity become a characteristic of each child. I pray in the precious name of Your Son, amen.

LESSON MEMORY VERSE:

Acts 4:32 - "All who believed in Jesus shared everything they had."

BIBLE STORY

Partners (based on Acts 4:32-37)

Jesus had gone up to heaven to be with God, His Father. Now, Jesus' friends were busy telling other people about God's love and forgiveness. More and more people learned about Jesus. The Church began to grow and grow. These people wanted to be like the Lord. They wanted to follow Him in everything.

Jesus had showed His followers how to love each other. He had taught them to care for each other. He had also showed them how to share with each other. They were glad to share whatever they had.

(Girls)- Care, Care, Care.

(Boys)- Share, Share, Share.

(Teacher)- a little for you, and a little for me.

(Boys)- Share, Share, share.

(Girls) – Care, Care, Care.

(Teacher)- We're glad to give and share whatever you need!

Jesus' friends knew that sharing was very important. Soon other people decided to care and share, too. Then something wonderful happened! People with extra money gave to people who didn't have enough. Those with plenty of food gave to people who were hungry. Those with extra clothes gave to people who were not well dressed. Now everyone had money and food and clothes!

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A man named Barnabas was one of Jesus' followers. Barnabas owned a big field. One day, he decided to sell the field. Now he had plenty of money. Did Barnabas keep the money for himself? No. Did he spend the money to buy things he wanted? No. Barnabas wanted to care and share. So, Barnabas gave the money to the Church. Then the Church gave the money to people who needed help. Now these people were very happy.

We can be like Barnabas, too. We can care about others. We can share with others who don't have enough. When we care about others and share with others, it makes the Lord very happy!

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PRAYER:

Thank God for the good gifts He has given us. May we gladly share what we have with those in need.

ACTIVITIES:

Sharing Award: (Supplies- paper, stickers, markers)

Cut a square out of the paper and write "I will share with a Line under it. Make one for each child. Have them write their name on their paper. Give each child a strip of stickers. Tell the children what is written on the paper and explain that they will need to share their stickers with you. Have them put stickers on their award and talk about what things they can share. 😊

Rice Play: (Supplies – a large plastic tub filled with rice, plastic scoops, cups, spoons)

Let the children take turns playing with rice and sharing the tools with each other. Remind them that the followers of Jesus shared their food and everything they had with each other.

Share your Square: (Rubber mat squares, music)

Play this game based on musical chairs. Set out half as many squares around the room as you have children. Tell the children that when they hear the music they should walk around the room, and when the music