



I Worship God When I Serve Him!

From Center Stage Lesson 4

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - SERVICE

Great leaders seek ways to serve others.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Your children will learn that we worship God through serving.

LEADERSHIP STORY

Jesus anointed by a sinful woman at Bethany. (Luke 7:36-50)

WHAT DO I DO?

Have your children read the Leadership Story. Next, have your children watch the Leadership Video and complete the Child Leadership Questions. If you want to do the Optional Family Activity, have the whole family watch the Leadership Video, then lead your family through the Optional Family Activity.

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: WHO YOU DO IT FOR

Read Matthew 25:34-40 with your family. Explain that this passage gives examples of serving God by serving others. Make a list of some acts of service that you can do as a family that are roughly equal to those in the passage. For example, for visiting in prison you could collect items to donate to a local prison ministry. For giving food or a cup of water you could take a cooler full of bottled water to the park or the gym and give it to people who are hot and thirsty. You could also do some acts of service within your own family, such as getting a drink for everyone while they are watching a movie, or doing someone's chores for them. Over the next several weeks try to do each item on your list. As you do each item, be sure to remind your family that when you serve, you are worshipping God.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another." 1 Peter 4:10 (NLT)



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Main Point: I Worship God When I Serve Him!

Read the Leadership Story about Jesus and the sinful woman in Luke 7:36-50. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Story Video. Then read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.

1. In the video, what was Pastor Mike served?
2. What are some ways you are served by others?
3. In the Leadership Story, who invited Jesus to his home?
4. Simon was a Pharisee, what does that tell us about him?
5. While Simon and Jesus were eating, a woman entered the room. The passage said she was a sinner. How did this woman serve Jesus?
6. The woman was showing her love for Jesus by serving Him. What was Simon thinking as she was doing this?
7. Jesus then told a story about a man loaning money to two people. How much did he loan to each?

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8. In this story, neither person could repay the man. The man forgave both of them and cancelled their debt. Jesus asked Simon who would love the man more. How did Simon answer?
9. Jesus listed several things that a host would traditionally do for a guest. Look at the list below. Put a check mark on the right side of the list for the things Simon did for Jesus. Put a check mark on the left side of the list for the things the woman did for Jesus.

Woman

Simon

Water to wash feet
Kiss of greeting
Anointing oil/perfume

10. Who showed more love to Jesus, Simon or the woman with the perfume?
11. The sinful woman showed Jesus love through her acts of service. We can show love to Jesus by serving those around us. Write down five people you can serve in some way this week and how you can serve them.

This week, look for at least one opportunity each day to serve one of the five people you just wrote down. Remember, when we serve others we are worshiping God.

Memory Verse: Ask your parents to help you memorize this verse.

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Main Point: God Is Our Provider, So We Should Be Grateful!

1. A hamburger.
2. Answers may vary but may include: Having a friend share his or her snack. Having your dishes put away by your sister. Your older brother offers to play your favorite video game with you.
3. Simon the Pharisee.
4. He was a religious expert.
5. She washed His feet and put expensive perfume on them.
6. That if Jesus were a prophet, He would know she was a sinner..
7. 500 pieces of silver to one. 50 pieces of silver to the other.
8. The who had been forgiven the larger debt.
9. Woman
 - Water to wash feet.
 - Kiss of greeting.
 - Anointing oil/perfume.
10. Simon
 - None
11. The woman.
12. Answers may vary, but may include:
 - Teacher - Help clean up the classroom.
 - Sister - Do her chores for a day.
 - Mom - Help do the dinner dishes.
 - Friend - Let him/her play with my toys.
 - Dad - Help clean the garage.