



## **Our Belongings Are A Gift From God!** **From Big Top Lesson 3**

### **LEADERSHIP TRAIT - GENEROSITY**

Great leaders understand that they should give to others out of the things they have been given.

### **LEADERSHIP LESSON**

Your children will learn that everything we have is from God, and as He gives generously to us, we can use our belongings to help others. We are blessed to be a blessing.

### **LEADERSHIP STORY**

Abigail's generosity. (1 Samuel 25: 2 - 35)

### **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: AN INVITATION TO SHARE**

God gives us the things we own and He wants us to bless others by sharing those things with others. This week, make a special invitation for somebody and invite them over to share one of your things. You might invite them to your house to play with your favorite toy or to eat a special snack with you. Maybe your whole family wants to invite another family over to share a meal together. When we share with others, we are blessed in return! Remember that everything we have is a gift from God and He wants us to share those things with the people around us.

### **MEMORY VERSE:**

Help your child memorize this verse.

*"And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others." 2 Corinthians 9:8 (NLT)*



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**Read the Leadership Story about Nabal and Abigail in 1 Samuel 25:2 - 35. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Video. Then, read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.**

1. Pastor Mike told a story about a family who went to the circus and each of the kids got a tub of popcorn. What did the boy, Josh, notice about the family next to them?
2. What did Josh's father discover about the family when he talked with the family's dad?
3. When Josh noticed the kids looking at his popcorn, what did he do?
4. Fill in the blanks below with the words that Pastor Mike used in the video:
  - God doesn't give us gifts and blessings just so we can keep them to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - God blesses us with these things so we can be a blessing to \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ those things.



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5. In the Leadership Story, how was David having a rough time?
6. How many men did David have with him?
7. What had God blessed Nabal with?
8. What message did David send to Nabal?
  - A. Give us everything you have.
  - B. We have protected you and never stolen or hurt you, will you share with us?
  - C. We want to hurt you.
  - D. Do you love God?
9. Nabal would not share what he had. What did David do in response?
10. One of Nabal's servants went to speak to whom?
11. What did the servant tell Abigail?
12. Circle all the things that Abigail did:
  - A. Loaded up donkeys with 200 loaves of bread.
  - B. Cried.
  - C. Ran away and hid.
  - D. Loaded up figs, sheep and wineskins.
  - E. Went to meet David.
  - F. Wanted to fight David.
  - G. Apologized to David for her husband.



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13. Did David accept Abigail's gift?

14. Why does God give us things?

This week, share with people you know and with people you don't know.

To share with people you know, write down the names of three people or families that you know. Write down some things you can share with them. You could bring them food, clothes, or other items. You could also share by inviting them for dinner, helping with yard work, helping with chores, or babysitting.

To share with people you don't know, pick out some outfits and some toys you could give to someone in need. Take the items to a homeless shelter or to your church to donate them.

God gives us blessings and gifts, not to keep to ourselves, but so that we can be a blessing to others. Use this week to share your blessings and gifts with friends at school, neighbors, people you meet, and even those you don't know.

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

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1. Clothes were dirty. No food from concessions.
2. Dad did not have a job. Were given tickets to come to the circus.
3. Told the other kids in his family and they all shared their popcorn.
4. Ourselves. Others. Sharing.
5. Living in the wilderness and being hunted by the king.
6. 600.
7. Wealth.
8. B.
9. Told his men to get their swords and he set out with 400 men toward Nabal's home.
10. Abigail, Nabal's wife.
11. How good David had been to them and about Nabal's insulting message to David.
12. A. D. E. G.
13. Yes.
14. To share with others.