

KidsLife – November 2017

Parents,

*The curriculum used in KidsLife uses things that kids are already familiar with, such as cereal, popular book titles, candy, board games, etc. to teach Biblical truths in a fun way!
We also add crafts and games to help reinforce the Bible lesson being taught!*

This Month's lessons revolve around the theme of the Shoebox ministry. Instead of family discussion questions there is a summary of each weeks lesson.

November 5th Shoebox Curriculum “Why we give”

The key verse for “Shoebox Curriculum” is:

Matthew 25:40 “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”

Bottom line: We should give out of gratitude, remembering all that Jesus did for you.

Objectives: For students to: -Discover the story of the woman with the alabaster box -Identify reasons why they should give to God and others -Pick a way to give to others this week

Key Passage: -Luke 7:36-50 -John 3:16

Memory Verse: -Matthew 25:40

Summary: Giving is an essential part of the Christian life. We give because God gave us his son. We could never have paid the debt for our sins, so Jesus paid it for us by dying on a cross. God wants us to give out of gratitude for that gift so that we can be a blessing to others.

November 12th Shoebox Curriculum “Who we Help”

The key verse for “Shoebox Curriculum” is:

Matthew 25:40 “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”

Bottom line. Whenever we give to the “least” among us, we are giving to Jesus.

Objectives. For students to: -Discover the parable of the sheep and goats -Identify moments where they have given freely -Come up with ways they can give this Christmas season

Key Passages. -Matthew 25:31-40 -Hebrews 13:12

Memory Verse. -Matthew 25:40

Summary. When we give to those in need, we think of the homeless and the poor. We don’t think of giving to Jesus, but that’s exactly what Jesus said we are doing. Jesus knows what it’s like to be in need, and when we give, we are really giving to Jesus. We may never know who receives our gift, but when we give to the least of these, we are giving to the Lord.

November 19th Shoebox Curriculum “What’s In It For ME”

The key verse for “Shoebox Curriculum” is:

Matthew 25:40 “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”

Bottom line. Giving isn’t about getting something back, but is about showing gratitude for what Jesus did for us.

Objectives. For students to: -Discover the story of Jesus washing his disciples’ feet Identify Kingdom values when it comes to giving

Key Passages. -John 13:1-17 -Matthew 20:25-28 -Philippians 2:5-11

Memory Verse. -Matthew 25:40

Summary. When we are asked to give of our time, money, or something else, the first question we usually ask is, “What’s in it for me? What do I get in return?” Earthly investments bring earthly gains. It’s not so with the Kingdom of God. We have already received far more than we could ever invest in Jesus. We need to give not to get, but give out of gratitude for what Christ did for us.

November 26th Shoebox Curriculum “Outside The Box”

The key verse for “Shoebox Curriculum” is:

Matthew 25:40 “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”

Bottom line. Don’t let your giving end after Christmas. Keep on giving the whole year round!

Objectives. For students to: -Discover the story of the Samaritan woman -Identify where they’ve served this season -Identify areas where they can continue to serve

Key Passages. -John 4:4-26 -John 4:31-38

Memory Verse. -Matthew 25:40

Summary. Everyone’s a cheerful giver at Christmas, but when the holidays end, giving drops dramatically. Giving isn’t something to pack away with the Christmas tree. People are in need all year long. Our response should be all year too!