

Always Open: Service with a smile

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SMALL GROUP

PRELUDE

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BIBLE STORY

Give Love

Meet People's Needs
1 Peter 4:10-11

MEMORY VERSE

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LIFE APP

Service—Lending a hand to help someone else

BOTTOM LINE

Look for ways to serve others.

BASIC TRUTH

I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

For Leaders Only
Create the Environment
Monthly Overview

15
MIN

SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Early Arrivers
Make a Meal

25
MIN

STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

Opener
Bible Story
Worship
Prayer
Closer

10
MIN

WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God

"Every Move I Make" from *Walk This Way*
"Everywhere I Go" from *Every Beat*

25
MIN

GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

You Got Served
I've Got This
The Gift that Keeps on Giving
Prayer

HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

GodTime
Parent Cue

GETTING READY

SOCIAL: PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION

CHOOSE ONE OR BOTH OF THESE ACTIVITIES.

EARLY ARRIVER

Made to Explore: an activity that extends learning through hands on experimentation and discovery

WHAT YOU NEED:

- An offering container
- Search and find books or word search puzzle books (elementary level)
- *Alternative option: You could use no supplies and have kids play "I Spy."*

MAKE A MEAL

Made to Create: an activity that explores spiritual ideas through the process of drawing, building, and designing

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Play-Doh®; one container for every two kids

GROUPS: CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT

CHOOSE AS MANY OF THESE ACTIVITIES AS YOU LIKE.

* If you don't have time to do all these activities, be sure to do activity #2.

1. YOU GOT SERVED**[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]**

Made to Move: an activity that increases the oxygen in the brain and taps into the energy in the body

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Print the "You Got Served" Activity Pages; one page for each kid (duplicates are fine; just make sure there is a "match" for each page)
- Plastic cups; one for each kid
- Serving trays; one for each kid

(Alternate options: cardboard cut into a circle or square, paper plates, clipboards or cookie sheets)

*** 2. I'VE GOT THIS****[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]**

Made to Connect: an activity that invites kids to share with others and build on their understanding

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Print the "I've Got This" Activity Page; one for each kid
- Markers

3. THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING**[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]**

Made to Imagine: an activity that promotes empathy and facilitates biblical application through role-play and reenactment

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Small gift boxes (such as: <http://a.co/d/euYTOxd>); one for each kid
- Gift bows; one for each kid
- Markers
- Bibles
- Completed "I've Got This" Activity Pages from the previous activity
- *Optional: Stickers and other decorations for boxes*

PRAYER**[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]**

Made to Reflect: an activity that creates space for personal understanding and application

WHAT YOU NEED:

- No supplies needed

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

- Make copies on cardstock or email this week's GodTime and Parent Cue cards.
- Tell parents about our additional family resources: **Studio252.tv** and the **Parent Cue** app.

BIBLE STORY

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EXPLORE

an activity that extends learning through hands on experimentation and discovery

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Welcome kids and spend time engaging in conversation and catching up. Get ready to experience today's story.

Before kids arrive, take a few moments to pray for them. Ask God to help you and the kids learn to look for ways to serve others. Pray that God will show them that there are needs all around them and that they can serve others every day at home, at school, or wherever they are, by using the gifts they have been given.

LIFE APP

Service—Lending a hand
to help someone else

1. EARLY ARRIVER IDEA

WHAT YOU NEED: Offering container, search and find books, word search puzzles

WHAT YOU DO:

- Collect kids' offerings as they arrive.
- Encourage kids to get into groups of two or three as they arrive and work through the search and find books or word search puzzles.
- If you do not want to use books, encourage the groups within kids to play "I Spy" together.

BOTTOM LINE

Look for ways to serve others.

BASIC TRUTH

I should treat others the way
I want to be treated.

PRELUDE

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15 MINUTES

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2. MAKE A MEAL

WHAT YOU NEED: Play-Doh®

WHAT YOU DO:

- Instruct kids to find a partner.
- Give each pair a container of Play-Doh, and tell them to split it in half.
- Explain that they will take their half of the Play-Doh and make the best meal they can with it. They should make an appetizer, main course, beverage, and dessert.
- Allow kids to tell the group what they made.

LIFE APP

Service—Lending a hand to help someone else

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Did anyone make [your favorite food]? (Pause.) That's my favorite food for sure! Did you know you can serve people with food? That's right! We can serve people's needs in all kinds of ways. **[Transition] Today in Large Group, we are going to learn how we can use what we have to do just that!**"

BOTTOM LINE

Look for ways to serve others.

Lead your group to the Large Group area.

BASIC TRUTH

I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

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TALK ABOUT GOD BIBLE STORY REVIEW



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1. YOU GOT SERVED

WHAT YOU NEED: "You Got Served" Activity Pages, plastic cups, serving trays

WHAT YOU DO:

- Divide your small group into two teams.
- Explain that you will hand out a paper to each person. Some of them will have pictures of people with needs, and others will have pictures of ways to serve those people.
- Tell kids that their goal in this game is to find their page's "match." Show them an example of a match.
- Hand out the pages. Make sure each page has a match. If you have an odd number of kids, a Leader will need to play as well.
- Provide each kid with a plastic cup and serving tray.
- Instruct kids to fold their paper and place it inside the cup. Then tell them to put the cup on the serving tray.
- Explain that they will walk around with the tray over their head while attempting to balance their cup. If they drop their cup, they must sit out a round.
- When you say, "Stop to serve," have kids find a partner and take out their papers to see if that person has their serving match. If they do, they yell out, "You got served!" They will then go sit on the sidelines and watch. If not, they keep going until they find their match.
- Encourage everyone to sit with their serving partners when you circle back up as a group to talk.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"How hard was it to balance that cup over your head? (*Pause for responses.*) Does anyone think they would be good at serving tables in real life? (*Pause for responses.*) Well, I think you guys did a great job. You know, this game reminds me that we can always **look for ways to serve others**. Even if we can't meet the need ourselves, we can look for someone else who can, or we can pray that the need is met." **[Make It Personal] (Share a personal example of how you served someone by meeting a need OR how someone helped you when you were in need.)**

LIVE FOR GOD APPLICATION ACTIVITY



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* 2. I'VE GOT THIS

WHAT YOU NEED: WHAT YOU NEED: "I've Got This" Activity Pages, markers

WHAT YOU DO:

- Give every kid an "I've Got This" activity page
- Encourage kids to write the different gifts they believe God has given them inside their person. Give them examples and explain that this could mean anything like teaching, helping, encouraging, singing, dancing, playing soccer, joy. (Focus not only on spiritual gifts but characteristics and things they enjoy doing that they believe God has gifted them to do.)
- After this is completed, encourage them to design their person to look just like them.
- Ask kids who would like to share what gifts they wrote down. (Allow as many to share as possible.)
- Ask kids if anybody could say what they think someone else in the group is gifted in. (Allow time and space for kids to encourage one another.)

WHAT YOU SAY:

"You all really are a gifted group of people! I love hearing your stories and watching you use the different gifts God has given you. You know, we not only need to **look for ways to serve others** but we also need to look at ourselves. God has given all sorts of gifts to us. He gave us these gifts so we can use them to serve people around us. He made us the way we are for a reason. This week, remember that God created you the way He did so that you can do awesome things in this world."

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HEAR FROM GOD MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY

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IMAGINE

an activity that promotes empathy and facilitates biblical application through role-play and reenactment

3. THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

WHAT YOU NEED: Bibles, small gift boxes, gift bows, markers, "I've Got This" Activity Pages (from the previous activity) decorations (*optional*)

WHAT YOU DO:

- Review Mark 9:35 together.
- Encourage kids to look up the memory verse in a Bible and write the verse on the back of their "I've Got This" Activity Pages.
- Provide each kid with a gift box and bow.
- Instruct kids to fold up their paper and place it inside the gift box.
- Encourage them to place the bow on top and to decorate their box.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"God gives us gifts so that we can serve others. He doesn't want us to keep our gifts to ourselves, He wants us to share them. When we don't use the gifts God has given us, it's like getting the most amazing present at Christmas time and never unwrapping it! God wants you to unwrap all He has made you to be and to give back to everyone around you. The next time you think to yourself, 'Hey, I think this is a gift God gave me,' use it to help you **look for ways to serve others.**"

PRAY TO GOD PRAYER ACTIVITY



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PRAY AND DISMISS

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

- Ask kids to think of one gift they wrote down on their person.
- Encourage them to say it aloud to the group.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"God, we thank You so much for giving us gifts and longing to use us in other people's lives. I pray that this week we would keep in mind the one gift we just talked about and **look for ways to serve others** using that specific gift. We love You! In Jesus' name, amen!"

As adults arrive to pick up, have each kid show off their gift box. Ask, "What's your favorite gift you have inside that box?" Then ask, "What will you do this week with that gift?" **"Look for ways to serve others."**