

November Weeks 3 and 4



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OVERVIEW CARD

The Good Samaritan

Key Question:	Who are you thankful for?
Bottom Line:	I am thankful for people who help me.
Memory Verse:	"Always give thanks to God." <i>Ephesians 5:20, NCV</i>
Bible Story Focus:	I am thankful for people who help me when I'm hurt. Good Samaritan <i>Luke 10:25-37</i>
Coloring Page:	Jesus tells about a Good Samaritan
Music:	WooHoo I Can Help You Praise the Lord Everyday Wherever I Go
Bible Lesson:	God's Story for Me Bible The Good Samaritan Pages 369-373
Story:	<i>A Rainbow of Friends</i> By P.K. Hallinan

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ACTIVITY ALL AGES

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Bottom Line Hop

Big Idea:

Children will recite the words to the bottom line as they hop NEXT TO the giant band aids.

What You Need: Band Aid activity sheets (printed on cardstock)

What You Do:

- Show the children the Band Aid pages and explain that God gives us people to help us when we are hurt.
- Place the Band Aid pages down as a path in the room.
- Have the children form a line behind the first paper.
- If you have a large class, use two sets and have the children form two lines.
- Explain that they are to hop from paper to paper reciting one word of the bottom line each time they jump. NOTE: Have the children hop NEXT TO not on top of the pages so they don't slip.
- Continue playing making different pathways with the papers for the children to hop to.
- Collect the Band Aid papers and ***Bring it Back to Jesus**

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "In our story today, there was a man who was hurt. He needed help! Did anyone stop to help him? Yes! I am sure he was thankful for the man that helped him"

After the Activity: "You did a great job hopping! In our story today, a man was hurt and lying on the ground. Some people saw the hurt man and did not help him. That is so sad! Then someone saw the hurt man and helped him. God gave us people to help us! **Who are you thankful for? [Bottom Line] I am thankful for people who help me!**"

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Memory Verse Pass

Big Idea:

Children will pass the boo boo animal around the circle and recite the memory verse when the music stops.

What You Need: stuffed animal (wearing a band aid)

What You Do:

- Encourage the children to sit in a circle.
- Remind them of this month's memory verse, "Always give thanks to God."
- Show the children the animal that has a boo boo. Remind them that God gives us people who help us when we are hurt.
- Tell the children that they will pass the animal around the circle while the music plays.
- Have a volunteer stop the music and when it stops, ask the child holding the animal to repeat the memory verse.
- Play as long as there is interest.
- Collect the animal and ***Bring it Back to Jesus**

What You Say:

After the Activity: "That was fun passing around our boo boo animal! **In our story today, a man was hurt and lying on the ground. Some people saw the hurt man and did not help him. That is so sad! Then someone saw the hurt man and helped him. God gave us people to help us! Who are you thankful for? [Bottom Line] I am thankful for people who help me!**"

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ACTIVITY FOR 2'S & 3's

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Scatter and Gather

Big Idea:

Children will find scattered Band Aids around the room and talk about how people help us when we are hurt.

What You Need: Band Aids

What You Do:

- Show the children the Band Aids and explain that God gives us people to help us when we are hurt.
- Scatter (or hide) the Band Aids around the room.
- Explain that they are to collect the Band Aids and bring them back to you.
- When the child brings a Band aid back to you ask, "Who is someone who helps you when you are hurt?"
- Continue scattering and collecting the Band Aids as long as there is interest
- Collect the Band Aids and ***Bring it Back to Jesus**

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "In our story today, there was a man who was hurt. He needed help!"

After the Activity: "You did a great job finding all of the Band Aids! You are such great helpers. **In our story today, a man was hurt and lying on the ground. Some people saw the hurt man and did not help him. That is so sad! Then someone saw the hurt man and helped him. God gave us people to help us! Who are you thankful for? [Bottom Line] I am thankful for people who help me!"**

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ACTIVITY FOR 4's & 5's

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Bandages

Big Idea: *Children will pretend their leaders are injured and wrap them in toilet paper "bandages."*

What You Need: Several rolls of toilet paper

What You Do:

- Select a leader who is willing to be wrapped up in the toilet paper.
- Line up the children and let each child take a turn wrapping the chosen leader with some of the toilet paper.
- To make this a bit smoother, explain that each child will be able to walk around the leader two times as they wrap him/her.
- Make sure another adult is on hand to help with this process.
- Repeat until the leader is fully wrapped and every child has had a turn.
- Collect all the toilet paper and **Bring it Back to Jesus***.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "In our story today, there was a man who was hurt. He needed help!"

After the Activity: "You did a great job bandaging [Small Group Leader's name]. You are such great helpers. **In our story today, a man was hurt and lying on the ground. Some people saw the hurt man and did not help him. That is so sad! Then someone saw the hurt man and helped him. God gave us people to help us! Who are you thankful for? [Bottom Line] I am thankful for people who help me!"**

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CRAFT WEEK 1

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Thank You Cards

What You Need: “Thank You Card” Activity Page on white cardstock, crayons, and stickers

What You Do:

- Give each child a thank you card.
- Set out the crayons and stickers in the center of the table.
- Explain to the children that Thanksgiving is coming up. Let them know that this is a time to be thankful for the people God gave us in our life
- Tell them that this will be a special card they can give someone they are thankful for.
- As the children are decorating their cards, ask them whom they are making the card for, and fill in the blank with their name.
- Put the cards in the bags, collect the stickers and crayons and ***Bring it Back to Jesus.**

What You Say:

After the Activity: “These cards are so special! Thanks for taking the time to create them. **In our story today, a man was hurt and lying on the ground. Someone very kind stopped to help him. I am sure he was so thankful for that man who helped him! God gave us people to help us! Who are you thankful for? [Bottom Line] I am thankful for people who help me!**”

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CRAFT WEEK 2

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Band Aid Craft

What You Need: “Band Aid border” Activity Page on white cardstock, crayons, glue sticks and cotton balls

What You Do:

- Give each child a Band Aid craft.
- Set the crayons and cotton balls in the center of the table (and glue sticks for older kids.)
- Encourage the children to color the band aids around their papers.
- Remind the children that God gives us people to help us when we are hurt.
- Read the bottom line on the Band Aid craft to the children.
- Put some glue in the middle of each band aid so the children can stick a bit of the cotton ball on it. (or allow the older kids to do it themselves)
- Put the crafts in the bags, collect the supplies and ***Bring it Back to Jesus.**

What You Say:

After the Activity: “Your crafts look great! In our story today, a man was hurt and lying on the ground. Some people saw the hurt man and did not help him. That is so sad! Then someone saw the hurt man and helped him. God gave us people to help us! **Who are you thankful for? [Bottom Line] I am thankful for people who help me!**”

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PLAYDOH/PRAYER TIME

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What you Need: Parent Take Home Card, Playdoh, Heart Cookie Cutters, Rolling Pins, and Sticker Roll

SMALL GROUP LEADER (SGL): "It's Playdoh and Prayer time! It makes God happy when we have a thankful heart. Today we're talking about being thankful for people who help us when we are hurt. **In our story today, a man was hurt and lying on the ground. Some people saw the hurt man and did not help him. That is so sad! Then someone saw the hurt man and helped him. God gave us people to help us! Who are you thankful for? [Bottom Line] I am thankful for people who help me!**"

"Let's pray and thank God for the people who help us. Fold your hands like this, bow your heads like this, close your eyes like this, and I'll pray!"

SGL: "Ok, it's time to review our lesson. I am going to ask you some questions and you will get a sticker for answering them. I have some really cool stickers today. Are you ready? (Pause.) Great!"

- Go from child to child and have them repeat the memory verse for a sticker.
- Ask the children the Bottom Line question for a sticker.
- Ask the children to tell you someone who they are thankful for.

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