

City SG - February 9-10, 2019

Bible Story: Give Love (Meet People's Needs) • 1 Peter 4:10-11

Bottom Line: Look for ways to serve others.

Memory Verse: "Jesus sat down and called for the 12 disciples to come to him. Then he said, 'Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last. They must be the servant of everyone.'" *Mark 9:35, NIV*

1. You Got Served

What You Need: "You Got Served" Activity Pages (10 sheets per bin)

What You Do:

- 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.
- Have the children stand. 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.
- They should not look at the picture or show others the picture until you say, "Stop to serve." At that time, they can look at their picture, and try to find the person with the match.
- Once they find the person who has their serving match, 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:

Well, I think you guys did a great job. You know, this game reminds me that we can always **[Bottom Line] 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.)**

2. I've Got This

What You Need: "I've Got This" Activity Pages (one per kid), 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 **[Bottom Line] 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.”

3. Look to Serve

What You Need: “Look to Serve” Activity Pages (1 per kid), markers

What You Do:

- Give each child an Activity Page.
- Invite kids to describe what they see in the pictures.
- Point out the example and invite kids to tell why the three pictures go together.
- Guide kids to find all of the trios of pictures that go together and draw lines to connect them.
- As time remains, lead kids to pantomime the acts of service shown.

What You Say:

“You guys did a great job looking for the ways to serve others. Every day you can **[Bottom Line] look for ways to serve others**, too. When you see that the trash can is full, what can you do? (*I can take out the trash.*) When you see that your grandma is almost done getting supper ready, what can you do? (*I can set the table; I can wipe the table; I can help my little brother wash his hands.*) When you see that your mom or dad are bringing in the groceries, what can you do? (*I can hold the door open for them; I can help them carry them in; I can help put them away.*) How else can you **[Bottom Line] look for ways to serve others**?”

“Great ideas! Wherever you go this week, **[Bottom Line] look for ways to serve others.**”

4. 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 in Activity 2.
- 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 **[Bottom Line] look for ways to serve others** using that specific gift. We love You! In Jesus’ name, amen!”

**BEFORE DISMISSAL: AT “COMMUNION CALL”
HAND OUT “GOD TIME” CARDS TO EACH CHILD AND ALLOW THEM TIME TO BEGIN
WORKING ON THE WEEKLY ACTIVITY**

IF CHILDREN BRING THEM BACK THE FOLLOWING WEEK, THEY RECEIVE A PRIZE!