

## City LG—October 17th-18th, 2021

**Today's Bible Story:** Hey, Sew Sister (Lydia) • Acts 16:13-15

**Today's Bottom Line:** Use your gifts to help others.

**Monthly Memory Verse:** *How you made me is amazing and wonderful. I praise you for that. What you have done is wonderful. I know that very well. Psalm 139:14 (NIRV)*

**NOTE: Groups kids together into their Small Groups to start your Service**

**CG: God Time Cards Competition Video**

**Note: Play this Video at your Service Start Time**

**“How awesome! Do you think (your Campus) can win the Competition and Fill Up this Cup? (Point to Cup). Me too! Don't forget to get a God Time Card today, bring it back next week, invite a friend to church or bring your Bible. Let's fill up the Cup!”**

**WORSHIP: Undefeated and Give My All**

“Hi, everyone! So glad to see you all here today. I love to see you all gathered together in your Small Groups. Today we are going to start with a question, and you will have 3 minutes to answer it together as a group. Here's the question...

**SLIDE: Group Question Week 3**

3 minutes on the clock! Here we go!

**CG: Group Question Week 3 VIDEO (Runtime: 3:00)**

“Great job, everyone! I've got a really cool story here from the Bible (*hold up Bible*), and I need your help to piece it together. This story is about a woman named Lydia who was from the city of Thyatira.

“That's a fun city name to say. Try it with me.”

**KIDS:** “Thyatira.”

“Nice job! Now, Lydia was someone who really stood out from the crowd. And to celebrate what it means to stand out in the Crowd, who wants to play a game? Ok! Here's how to play...

**GAME: Stand Out**

**SLIDES: Stand Out Slides on Computer**

**What You Do:** Kids will see an image on the Screen, and they will have to decide who/what stands out from the rest of the Crowd in the Image. Keep the energy high! Have FUN! Take guesses from the Kids before revealing the answer to each round.

*After the Game...*

“Great job everyone! That was so much fun! Just like these images taught us, we can also stand out in the Crowd, just like our Bible Hero today Lydia did. We have a video that will help us tell Lydia’s story, let’s take a look!”

**CG: Lesson Video (Runtime: 5:00)**

“Lydia’s story is an incredible example of how you can use what you have to help others. Remember, God had made Lydia really good at a special skill—making purple cloth. (*Hold up the purple cloth.*) She made money by selling the cloth, but she didn’t just use the money for herself. When Lydia put her faith in Jesus, she immediately invited Paul and his friends to stay at her house. She took what she was good at, and she used it to help Paul when he was in need.”

“In everything she did, Lydia used her gifts to help others. That’s something you can do, too. Let’s learn our Bottom Line!”

**CG: Bottom Line Video (Runtime: 2:00)**

**[Bottom Line] Use your gifts to help others.**

“You see, each of us has gifts from God that are part of our individuality. You might be talented at making things. You might have a loving and kind personality. You might make people laugh. As you continue to discover the gifts God has given you, you can put those gifts to use by helping other people. Let’s pray and ask God to help us do that.”

**PRAY:** “Dear God, please help us be like Lydia. Show us how we can use the gifts You’ve given us to help the people around us. Most of all, help us share Your love so people will see what You’re like . . . and so they’ll want to learn more about You, too. Thank you for giving us gifts, skills, and abilities that we can use to help others. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

“I just love Lydia’s story! I love how she put her faith in Jesus, then she used her gifts to help Paul and his friends. Lydia’s gift was that she was good at business. She was good at selling purple cloth that people really wanted. She also had a gift for making people feel welcome in her home. She used the money she made in her business to give Paul and the others a safe, comfortable place to stay.”

“When we’re good at something, or we have a lot of something, we shouldn’t just use it to help ourselves or to make ourselves look good. God gave us gifts that are part of our individuality. We should use those gifts to help other people.”

“That’s what we need to remember today.”

**SLIDE: Bottom Line**

**[Bottom Line] “Use your gifts to help others.**

“If you think about it, that’s what Jesus did. He constantly taught people, healed people, and loved people. He was always finding ways to help others!” We know that God has given each of us different gifts we can use to help others. We can use those skills and abilities to **treat others the way we want to be treated**. Maybe you’re good at spelling, and you can help your friend study for a test. Maybe you’re really patient and gentle, and you can play with your baby sister so your mom can get some things done around the house. Maybe you can talk with your family about ways to work together to help others in need.”

Before we head to Small Group now and talk some more about helping others, let’s review our Memory Verse and give our Offering!”

**CG: Memory Verse SLIDE**

*Dismiss kids to their small groups  
after Offering Time.*

**OFFERING:**

Here in Parkview Kids, we bring our offering each week to help support (your Campus Child) learn more about Jesus just like we do here in Parkview Kids. Here’s a picture of (your Campus Child)! If you brought your offering, you can bring it up now!”

Orland Park: Michael and Valeri, New Lenox: Daniel, Homer Glen: Victor