

City LG—July 10th, 2022

Today's Bible Story: Good Vibrations (City on a Hill) • *Matthew 5:14-16*

Today's Bottom Line: Show God's goodness to others.

Monthly Memory Verse: *God began a good work in you. And I am sure that he will carry it on until it is completed. That will be on the day Christ Jesus returns.* Philippians 1:6 (NIRV)

REMINDER: Kids will need to be grouped into Small Groups to begin Service

NOTE: This week, you'll get to come up with Bottom Line Moves with your Kids!

WORSHIP: Unshakeable and Standing in Your Light

Supplies Needed: 11x17 Tabloid Cardstock Paper and Pen (1 Sheet per Small Group, per Service)

As you're talking, or ahead of time, hand out Supplies to each group

"Hi, everyone! We've been talking about making waves this Summer, and a great way that we can make waves in the world around us is by showing God's goodness to others. We know that God is ALWAYS good. Everything God MADE is good. Everything God DOES is good. One of the best things we can do as we live each day is to show God's goodness to other people. Before we get started, we're going to make a good list together. In your Small Groups, work together to fill up your paper with as many "good" things you can think of. For example: pizza, bacon, tacos, friends, etc. 3 minutes on the clock. Here we go!"

CG: 3 Minute Countdown Video

After the Video, take a few responses from each Group

"Those are all great answers on things that are good, but did you know that God wants us to show His goodness to to others? How, exactly, do we do that? Well, let's hear what Jesus had to say about it. Jesus had a really cool way to explain this idea as He taught His followers on a hillside."

"Jesus said . . .

Read Matthew 5:14-16 (NIRV) from the Bible.

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill can't be hidden.

"Also, people do not light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand. Then it gives light to everyone in the house.

"In the same way, let your light shine so others can see it. Then they will see the good things you do. And they will bring glory to your Father who is in heaven."

"Okay. Let's go back to that first part.

Open the Bible to Matthew 5:14 (NIRV) and read.

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill can't be hidden.

"Jesus said that if we show God's goodness, we'll be like a town built on a hill . . . shining brightly across the fields at night. It's pretty cool to imagine that, isn't it? Jesus said that when we show God's goodness, we shine our lights brightly, so that the whole world can see what God is like."

“That’s how we shine our light. That’s how we show God’s goodness to others. The good things WE do can show everyone how good GOD is.

“When you’re kind to someone, you show them that God is kind.

“When you choose to have joy, you show the joy that God gives you.

“When you choose to make peace instead of arguing, you show the peace that God brings.

“Each of us is designed to show the world who God is and what God is like. In fact, that’s what this week’s Video is all about. Let’s take a look!”

CG: Lesson Video (Runtime: 4:00)

“With the help of God’s Spirit, you can shine the light of God’s goodness and brighten the world around you. In fact, that’s what ALL of us can do together! Let’s learn this week’s Bottom Line...”

SLIDE: Bottom Line

“Let’s [**Bottom Line**] Show God’s goodness to others.

“Ok everyone! This week you’ll get to come up with moves to our Bottom Line together as a Small Group. You get to SHOW God’s goodness in a fun way. Take 3 minutes now to come up with moves together as a Small Group, then we’ll all do each one together! Have FUN!”

CG: Bottom Line 3-Minute Countdown Video

(Allow each group to show their moves, do them all together and then say the Bottom Line together one final time)

“Great job everyone! That was awesome. Way to show God’s goodness to others! Will you pray with me?”

PRAY: “Dear God, thank You for being so good to us. Thank You for creating each of us and showing us Your love and kindness every single day. Please help us treat others with that same love and kindness that You’ve shown us. Help us show Your goodness and let our lights shine for You. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

“When we put our faith in Jesus, we have the Holy Spirit to help us do things we can’t do on our own. God’s Spirit can help us make waves . . . of goodness! With the help of the Spirit, we can choose to **treat others the way we want to be treated.**

“We may not always get it right . . . but this is a big reason why we come together as the church. When we ALL shine our lights together, we can help people see how much God loves them. The people around us will be able to see the difference God has made in our lives.”

OFFERING:

As you may know, all this Summer we are raising money to dig water wells in the Country of Malawi. When you bring your offering in, not only are you showing God’s goodness, but you are also helping many people in Malawi to have clean water to drink and cook with. So if you brought offering today, you can bring it up now!

CG: Malawi Wells Pictures