

WEEK 5

CORE IDEA: I have much to give.

During Week 5 of our follow series, we learned more about giving and children learned that they have much to give. They can give and help others with their time, talents and treasures. God gave us everything we have not to keep it for ourselves, but to live it out for His purpose. Children now know that they are an important part of something bigger and that they should give and use everything they received from God for His Kingdom.

As Act 20:35 says - Giving brings a far greater blessing than receiving (TPT)

Let your kids see how God is part of everything in your life by giving your time, talents and treasures. Soon, it will become second nature to talk about living for God in this way and it will start spilling over into all of your relationships. That is the blessing of giving and being a blessing.

May each one of you learn and experience from every lesson what it means to live a life of giving, just like Jesus.



FAMILY TIME!

Activity:

Be a "Spy" family this week and look at ways you can help. This can be where help is needed in you home, at school/work or church. Everybody can keep their own small notebook and pen close by in order to write down what they have observed during a day. At the end of the day everybody can share what they have seen and talk talk about how you as a family can help and be a blessing to somebody else.

The goal is to help your kids experience the happiness that comes from giving to others and activate generosity in them," For kids to feel compelled to help others, they first have to recognize that their help is actually needed, This will alert them to the needs of others.

TALK ABOUT IT

- Talk about everybody in your family's abilities and talents.
- Share ideas of how, when, and where they might use their talents.

Tips to grow in your abilities:

- Both mistakes and successes are good teachers.
- It is also good to stay teachable by listening to and learning from other people and it keeps us from learning everything the hard way.

Read and talk about what you learned: <u>Philippians 3:12-14</u> Read and talk about what you learned: <u>Proverbs 19:20; Proverbs 1:8</u>



Questions:

- How is God using the things that we have and experience to develop our gifts or talents?
- How can you learn and grow more with what you already have?

Family Prayer Time:

Pray together and thank God for giving you all your gifts and abilities. Ask God to help you to use those gifts and abilities for His glory and to serve Him.

Encourage your children to ask God to show them ways they can use their talents to honour and serve Him.

