



K-2nd

Nov 23-24, 2019

NEED TO KNOW

- **It's almost Thanksgiving!** This weekend's lesson is all about praising and thanking God for everything he's giving us, specifically by looking at the story of the thankful leper!

LARGE GROUP | 15 Minutes

- Big idea: **Give thanks!**
- Story: **The Thankful Leper**
- Scripture: **Luke 17:11-19**

GAME TIME | 10 Minutes

- Play a Thanksgiving-themed Simon Says game.

COOL DOWN | 10 Minutes

- Identify things we are or aren't thankful for.

LARGE GROUP | 15 Minutes

- Review the big idea, main verse and worship.

SMALL GROUP | 15+ Minutes

- Create a giant thanksgiving mural, and play with play dough.

LARGE GROUP

GAME TIME

COOL DOWN

LARGE GROUP

SMALL GROUP

S.A.F.E. | 5 Minutes



- **Say:** Welcome to Kids' Club, we're so glad you're here! We want this to be a **safe** and **fun** place for you. To do that, we all need commit to doing a few SUPER important things! Let's watch a **video** to help remind us what those things are!
- **Video: SAFE Video: Always show respect**

THE BIG IDEA | 5 Minutes



- **Say:** Are you ready to find out our big idea for today? Let's all countdown "Three, Two, One!" Ready? (Countdown with kids, then show the slide.)
- **Slide: Give Thanks!**
- **Say:** Let's do some motions to go with our big idea:
 - **Give** (hold hands palms up in front of you)
 - **Thanks** (put hand to your mouth, then lower it)
- **Ask:** Can anyone tell me what special holiday is coming up? (Let kids respond.) Yep, Thanksgiving! Why do we celebrate Thanksgiving? (Let kids respond.) Yeah, it's when we give thanks for all the things we've been blessed with, and we usually get together with other people and lots of food, right!?
- **Say:** Today we're going to talk about giving thanks to someone in particular, can you guess who that might be? (Let kids respond.) Yep: God. He is a good, perfect, all-powerful creator, and he's given us everything we have. He deserves all our thanks!

GIVE THANKS | 10 Minutes



- **Say:** One day, Jesus was traveling to a town called Galilee. While he was traveling, some men met him on the road! These men had a disease called
- leprosy. They were very, VERY sick. They were so sick, that they couldn't go near other people. Can you imagine not being able to be around your friends or family? That would be pretty sad.
- **Say:** We're going to watch a video and see what Jesus does after he meets these sick men. Do you think he'll act like other people, and stay away from them? Let's see!
- **Video: [Saddleback Kids / The Thankful Leper](#)**
- **Ask:** Did Jesus ignore those men, and stay away from them? No way! He actually went to them and HEALED them! And after that, most of the men went on their way. But ONE man went back to Jesus. What did he do?
- **Say:** Yep: he said, "Thank you!", and he threw himself at Jesus' feet. Jesus was sad that the other 9 men didn't come back to say thank you. But he was SO HAPPY that one of them DID come back!

LARGE
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GAME
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COOL
DOWN

LARGE
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SMALL
GROUP

SUPPLIES

- None

PREPARE



10:00

- Start the **10 Minute Countdown Timer**

THANKFUL SIMON SAYS | 10 Minutes

Say: Let's play some "Thankful Simon Says"! I'm going to say "If you're thankful for family, then clap 3 times!" and if you ARE thankful for it, you have to follow my action! But if you're NOT thankful for something I say, then you don't have to do the action. (*Here's a list of prompts to do*):

- If you're thankful for family, then hop on one foot
- If you're thankful for dogs, then clap 3 times
- If you're thankful for bee stings, do a tuck jump
- If you're thankful for cats, then do 5 jumping jacks
- If you're thankful for pizza, then touch your nose
- If you're thankful for splinters, cluck like a chicken
- If you're thankful for Kids' Club, then give someone a high five
- If you're thankful for doctors, spin around once
- If you're thankful for music, then sing "twinkle twinkle little star"
- If you're thankful for paper cuts, do the worm
- If you're thankful for brothers, touch your knees
- If you're thankful for sisters, touch your feet



SUPPLIES

- Bowls (2 per group)
- Pom poms (10 per kid)

PREPARE



- Start the **10 Minute Countdown Timer**
- Split into **small groups**.
- Set out the **two bowls**
- Give each kid **10 pom poms**

JARS OF THANKS | 10 Minutes

- **Ask:** That game was pretty silly and fun, huh? Was there anything that you had to think hard about, or did you know right away whether you were thankful for that thing or not?
- **Ask:** Were there more things that you WERE thankful for, or more things that you were NOT thankful for?
- **Say:** We have two buckets: *This one* (hold up **a bowl**) is for things we are NOT thankful for. *This one* (hold up the **other bowl**) is for things we ARE thankful for.
 - When the kids say something they ARE thankful for, put a **pom pom** in the “Thankful” bowl.
 - When the kids say something they are NOT thankful for, put a **pom pom** in the “Not Thankful” bowl.
 - You can start by saying something you are thankful/not thankful for and put a pom pom in the respective bowl.
 - The kids will start to see that there are more things that we ARE thankful for, than things we are NOT thankful for.
- **Say:** Wow, look how many awesome things we put in the thankful bowl! Even though there are things in our lives that we may not be very thankful for, or even wish weren't there, God will ALWAYS give us things that we CAN be thankful for!

THE BIG IDEA | 5 Minutes



Play the 10-Second Countdown to redirect kids attention to Large Group.

- **Say:** Let's remember our big idea and motions. Let's all countdown "Three, Two, One!" Ready? (Countdown with kids, then show the slide.)
- **Slide: Give thanks!**
- **Ask:** Do WE ever have a reason for giving thanks to God too? Yes! What things are you thankful for? (Let several kids respond.) Those are all good things to be thankful for, and they all come from Jesus!
- **Say:** Let's watch a fun video of someone you might recognize...Kid President! He's going to give us a list of his top 25 things to be thankful! As you watch, think about all the things YOU are most thankful for.
- **Video: [Kid President's 25 Reasons to be Thankful \(0:00-3:09\)](#)**
- **Say:** There are a whole lot of things to be thankful for, but there's one person who deserves all the praise: God.

WORSHIP AND RESPOND | 5 Minutes



- **Ask:** What can we do for Jesus, to show him that we're thankful? (Let several kids respond.) Those are all great answers.
 - We can talk to him, and tell him how thankful we are.
 - We can worship him, and show him how much we love him.
 - Even just spending time with Jesus, and getting to know him better is a great way to give thanks! Let's read a verse together that will help us remember to be thankful. Would anyone like to come up on stage with me and read it for all of us?
- **Slide: Psalm 107:1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever.**
- **Say:** Right now, everybody close your eyes and think of one thing that you're thankful for. (Give kids a few seconds to think.) Now let's all think of that thing as we do our motions and big idea again:
 - **Give** (hold hands palms up in front of you)
 - **Thanks** (put hand to your mouth, then lower it)
- **Pray:** God, thank you for taking care of us and giving us what we need. Help us to be thankful that you're in our lives, and you want to be close to us. Amen.
- **Set up worship:** One of the best ways to show God that we're thankful is through worship. When we worship, we show God that we love him with our words and dance. Everyone stand on your feet, and sing and dance along!
- **Music Video: [I Just Want to Thank You](#)**
- **Music Video: [Everything Belongs to God](#)**



SUPPLIES

- Large sheet of tear off paper (1 per group)
- Markers (1 set per group)
- Play dough (1 handful per kid)

KNOW IT | 5 minutes

Take time to connect with kids and retell the story. You can do this before, during or after the activity below (you can also have kids **ACT it out!)**

- After the sick men did what Jesus said, what happened to them? (They were healed.)
- How many men said “thank you” to Jesus? (One.)
- Does Jesus want us to give thanks too? (Yes!)
- What are you thankful for? (Let kids share.)
- Why do we thank God? (Because He gives us good things.)

Review today’s big idea and motions: Give Thanks

- **Give** (hold hands palms up in front of you)
- **Thanks** (put hand to your mouth, then lower it)

DO IT | 5 Minutes

- Lay out the **tear off sheet of paper** and **markers**.
- **Say:** Does everyone know what a mural is? Yep, it’s a work of art that covers the entire wall or surface. Let’s cover this ENTIRE sheet with things we are thankful for!
 - While you are coloring, give some personal examples of things you are thankful for.
- If kids finish coloring early, get the **play dough** out and sculpt things they are thankful for, turkeys, favorite Thanksgiving foods, favorite animals, etc!

EXTRA TIME?

- Give kids **a maze, or a word-search activity sheet** to work on until their parents pick them up.



connect questions

Big Idea: Give thanks! What are you thankful for?

lesson supplies

LARGE GROUP

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Adventure Bible for Early Readers	1 per large group, reused	BiblesbytheCase.com	site

GAME TIME | Played as one large group

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
None			

COOL DOWN TIME | Played in small groups

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Bowl	2 per group, reused	Amazon , Amazon	KC Site Support
Pom poms	10 per kid, reused	Amazon	KC Site Support

SMALL GROUP

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Coloring sheet - Thanksgiving	Quantity determined by site.	8.5x11 paper, black & white, Page 8	site
Maze sheet - Thanksgiving	Quantity determined by site.	8.5x11 paper, black & white, Page 9	site
Word search sheet - Thanksgiving	Quantity determined by site.	8.5x11 paper, black & white, Page 10	site
Markers	Quantity determined by site.		site
Large sheet of tear off paper	1 piece per group		site
Play dough	1 handful per kid, reused		site

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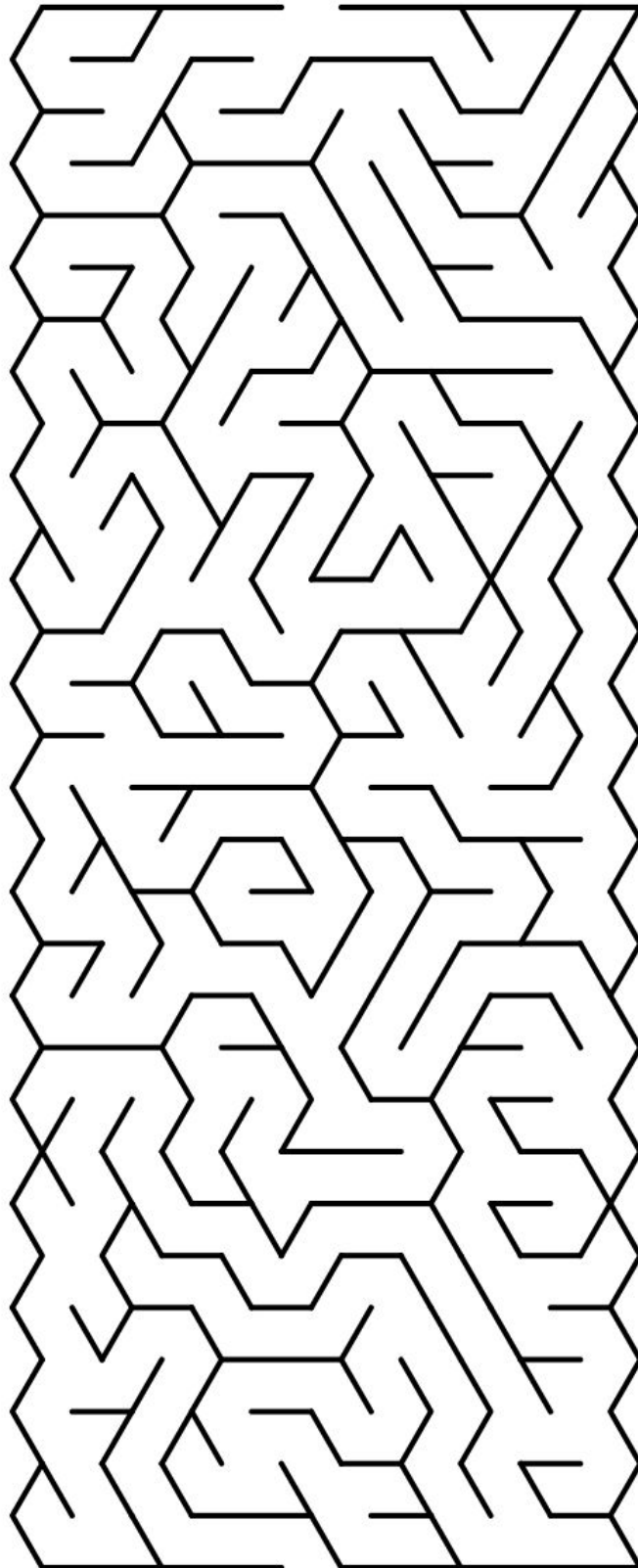


Tell me about the thankful leper.

How can we thank Jesus?

Read more about this week's story in Luke 17:11-19.

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INSTRUMENTS
BIBLE
DAVID
EMOTION

A/V needs

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1. KC Logo Slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
2. Video: SAFE Video: Always show respect
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