



Philippians 4:14-23

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- And you can place the memory verse and memory activity at the beginning or end of lesson -

Today's key word from Sermon on the Mount:

The gift of giving! (Philippians theme)

Teach

What is it? What does it mean? - Explain the Scripture so they understand what it means.

In this part of the Bible Paul talks about the meaning behind the gifts that the people from the church have given him! He says several things about giving that we need to think about today!

- 1) Giving a gift is like a sweet smell to God!
- 2) God will give you all that you need, because He is the giver of all good gifts!
- 3) Paul wants us to give because of the good that it does for our own hearts!

How does it feel to give a gift to someone? How does it feel to get a gift from someone? How does it make God feel when we give gifts to people?

Always remember, It is a GIFT to GIVE! Say it with me!

Illustrate

Why is it here? Why is it so important? - Bring it into their world so they hold it close.

Read the book The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein and talk through these questions:

What were some of the things the tree and the boy enjoyed doing together? Would you say they were good friends?

As the boy grew, what things did the tree give the boy? Why did she give these to him?

What made the tree happy?

In this book, who gave and who took? Which one was happy and what made them happy?

Could you tell the tree loved the boy? How?

Do you think the boy was every really happy? Why do you think that?

What adjectives would you use to describe the tree? What adjectives would you use to describe the boy?

After reading the story, which character would you want as a friend - the tree or the boy? Why?

Look at the trunk of the tree; did you notice the two hearts? Whose initials do you think they have carved in them? Which heart remained all the way to the end? Why do you think the illustrator included these?

Explain that giving is one way we can show others we care and that we love them. Think about how it makes you feel when you give something to someone else. When we make others happy by giving, it also makes us happy too, Most importantly though, it pleases our Heavenly Father!

Apply

What do I do with it? - Help the kids know what to do with and about this.

Let's think of a gift or card we can give someone this week!

Review: What did we learn today?

Take a moment to check for understanding. If you need to re-explain anything, do it now!

Is there a big idea or theme the kids should get from today?

It is a GIFT to GIVE!

You might ask questions like:

What did get out of today? Or what did you learn?

What most surprised you? What are you still confused by?

Who did we talk about? And what did they do?

Specific to this lesson's content, you could ask:

Who are all gifts truly from? (God), Why is it good to give? (Makes God happy and our hearts happy and encourages those we give to)

Pray with the kids after every lesson!

Have time for more? Review the memory verse and memory activity once more!

- Refer to your classroom's Unit Guide -



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Have you ever gotten a special gift from someone? How did that make you feel? Have you ever given someone a gift? How did that make you feel?

Did you know that all good gifts come from God?

Today in our Bible passage Paul talked about how special it was that his friends from church gave him gifts that he needed! He said the gift that was given to him was like a sweet smell to God! And he said that the most important reason he wants his friends to give is because it is good for our hearts!!

Illustrate

Why is it here? Why is it so important? - Bring it into their world so they hold it close.

What do you think is in this gift box? (have kids guess)

Everyone think of one thing that you wish was in this box as a gift for you... what would it be?

Now everyone think of one thing you would want in this gift box if you were going to give it to someone? What would someone else want/need?

Inside this gift box is actually something that God loves!! Lets open it.

Its a sweet smelling candle!! Every one come take a turn and smell it!!

God loves a sweet smell!!! And every time you give a gift to someone, God can smell the sweetness !!!

It is a GIFT to give! And it smells sweet!!

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Giving Smells SWEET!!!

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What did we learn today?

What did we talk about?

Who did we talk about? And what did they do?

Review - a question or two to ask

When you give a gift to someone what does God think/feel? (happy, smells good etc)

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Kids' Church Car Talk

4/29/19

Throughout the Sermon on the Mount series, we are talking with the kids about "Kingdom Hearts," or "hearts that are fully His." A heart that is fully His is when Jesus is King of our hearts. And every week, we'll have a key word about Kingdom Hearts, alongside memorizing the Beatitudes & the Lord's Prayer!

Download the Crosspoint app or go to [Crosspointonline.com/kids](https://crosspointonline.com/kids) lessons for activities and conversation that you can have with your kids!

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What was today's lesson all about? (today's word / theme)

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How you can ask about today's lesson:

Who are all gifts truly from? (God), Why is it good to give? (Makes God happy and our hearts happy and encourages those we give to)

How you can help move today's lesson to action:

Let's think of a gift or card we can give someone this week!

Great questions to follow that up with:

Why is this so important? - - Why is this so hard for us?

What can we do about this? - - What can we do together?

How can we pray about this? - - Who do we need to share this with?



Pre-K Car Talk

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How you can ask about today's lesson:

When you give a gift to someone what does God think/feel? (happy, smells good etc)

How you can help move today's lesson to action:

Everyone think of someone you would love to give a gift to and lets make them a picture today!

Great questions to follow that up with:

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