Kids Church

November 15, 2026



K- 1st Grades

Theme This Week- "Don't forget to thank God!"

Prayer Time- Lord God Almighty, give us a heart that is filled with gratitude. Build in us a understanding that gratitude is the key to peace in life and something worthy to build a life on. Please give us ample practice at showing gratitude.

Challenge- Pom Pom Bucket Catch

Special Story- My hands hurt a lot.

Memory Verse –

. "Every good and perfect gift is from God. This kind of gift comes down from . the Father who created the heavenly lights. These lights create shadows that . move. But the Father does not change like these shadows."

Psalm 46:1

Songs- Free, Goodness of God, Jesus Loves Me

Devotion- Jesus heals the ten Lepers
Luke 17:11-19

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Red Spot Drama

What You Need:

- [ ] Bible
- [ ] Sheets of small red circle stickers
- [ ] Paper plates

What You Do:

- Invite the kids to join you in a seated circle.
- Give each child a sheet of red circle stickers and a paper plate.
- Instruct the kids to place 10 red circle stickers all over their arms and hands. Explain that these represent the sick spots (leprosy) the men in the story had.
- Explain that because of these spots, the men had to live far away from their homes and families.
- Read the story recap points below, and guide the kids to act them out:
    - "10 men with spots saw Jesus coming. Because they had to stay far away, they stood at a distance and cried out in a loud voice: 'Jesus, Master, help us!'" *(Direct kids to cup their hands around their mouths and whisper-shout the line.)*
    - "Jesus looked at them and said: 'Go show yourselves to the priests.' Even though they still had spots, the men trusted Jesus' words and started walking!" *(Instruct kids to march in place.)*
    - "And guess what? While they were walking, they were healed! All of their spots disappeared!" *(Tell the kids to quickly peel the red dot stickers off their arms and stick them onto their paper plates.)*
    - "The men were so excited! Nine of them kept going. They were probably so excited that they forgot to go back and say thank you." *(Pretend to run in place.)*
    - "But ONE man stopped. He turned around, fell at Jesus' feet, and praised God with a loud voice, saying, 'Thank You!'" *(Direct the kids to drop to their knees and say, "Thank You, Jesus!")*

What You Say:

"You did an amazing job acting out that story! The 10 men must have been so incredibly happy when their spots disappeared. But only one of them turned back around to say thank you to Jesus. Jesus was so glad he came back, but He wondered where the other nine were. We want to be like that one man who returned. Let's make sure we ***[Bottom Line]*** **remember to thank God** for all the good things He does for us."

Take Time to Pray with your Kiddos!

The One

What You Need:

- ☐ Bibles marked at James 1:17
- ☐ Red plastic Solo cups
- ☐ Smiley face sticker

What You Do:

Before the Activity:

- Place the smiley face sticker on the inside of one cup.

During the Activity:

- Give each kid a Bible marked at James 1:17.
- Demonstrate how to look up the Memory Verse
- Repeat the Memory Verse out loud together several times.
- Review any words that might be unfamiliar to the kids.
- Gather the kids in a circle .
- Open a Bible to James 1:17a and read the verse together: “Every good and perfect gift is from God.”
- Show the kids the smiley face sticker in the cup.
- Place all the cups upside down on the floor and slide them around to mix them up.
- Let the kids take turns picking one cup to lift.
- If they lift an empty cup, say: “That reminds us of the nine men who kept going and forgot to say thank you!”
- If they lift the cup and find the smiley face, say: “You found the one who came back to say thank you!”
- Once the smiley face is found, instruct the child who found it (and the rest of the group) to loudly recite the memory verse together: “Every good and perfect gift is from God.” James 1:17a.
- Reset the cups, mix them up, and play again so several kids get a turn.

What You Say:

“You found the man who thanked God! The Bible tells us that every single good and perfect gift we have comes straight from God. That means our families, our food, and our safety are all gifts from Him. When we see those good gifts, we need to turn around and say thank You. So, ask the Holy Spirit to help you remember to say ‘thank you!’ Most of us aren’t ungrateful … we just forget. We’re focused on ourselves and what we need to do, and it’s easy to keep going and forget to look back, just like the nine men who were healed. So take time every day to ***[Bottom Line]*** **remember to thank God**!"

Discussion Questions

1. What is leprosy? It is a skin disease that was very scary for people back at this time. It is called Hansen’s disease today and not nearly as scary.
2. Why were these ten men living out there by themselves? They all had the skin disease.
3. What did they do when they heard Jesus was near? They ran out and called His name.
4. Was Jesus afraid to get near them? Nope
5. What did they want Jesus to do? They wanted Him to heal them.
6. What did Jesus tell them to do? Go show themselves to the church leader.
7. How many men were healed? All 10.
8. How many stopped and went back to thank Jesus? 1
9. How proud do you think Jesus was of this man who came back to thank Him/
10. What are some things we can thank God for today?