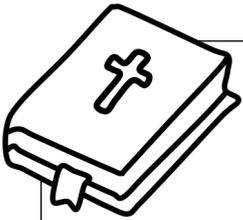


Kids @ HOME

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Today we are looking at Generosity. Here are some activities you could do as a family. Begin with the story and then do as many or as few as you like.



BIBLE PASSAGE

Luke 21: 1-4

Read the story together—choose a Bible translation or children’s story version that best suits your family.

You could also watch this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ma-VgOhVLIE>

Saddleback Video – the widows coins

BIG QUESTIONS

How can I be generous if I don't have any money to give?

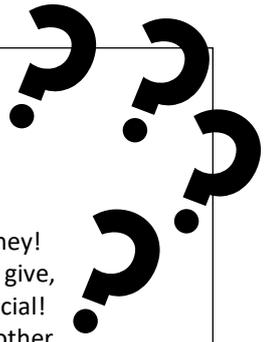
Being generous doesn't just mean giving lots of money! The woman in the story had very little that she could give, but she gave what she could and that was super special! Instead of money, get creative and try and think of other ways you can show generosity to others.

What is your favourite story of generosity in the bible?

My favourite story of generosity in the bible is the story of Jesus. He was so generous with his love that he gave up everything so that we could have a relationship with him forever!

Do you find being generous easy?

I find being generous quite tricky sometimes, especially if it means I might miss out on something! I have to remind myself that what I am doing is helping others!



PRAYER

Dear God,

I pray that we will have the courage to follow the woman in the story's example and be generous. I pray that we will be generous with our love and our time and that through our actions people will see you love clearly.

In the name of your son Jesus

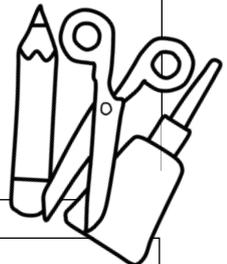
Amen



Activity

This week we are thinking about generosity and for this week's challenge you need to ask for your grown up's permission and help! Maybe choose one of these to have a go at this week! OR think of another generous actions you can have a go at!

1. When you go shopping ask your grown up if you can maybe buy a few extra items to put in the foodbank collection!
2. Find some old clothes that you don't need anymore and donate them to charity!
3. You can do the same with toys, any that you don't use anymore you can donate to charity!



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MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 6:21

"Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will be also."

Try to learn this verse together. You could come up with some actions to help you remember it or decorate the verse on a piece of paper or card together, and then put it up somewhere to remind you of it through the week. You could write each word on a separate piece of paper (use scrap paper or old envelopes) mix them all up then try and put them in to correct order.



GAME

Give more than you get.

What you will need:

Balled up socks
Two buckets or large bowls
A large space

Aim:

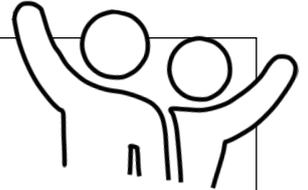
To give more than you get

How to play:

You need a load of balled up socks, and two buckets or large bowls (if not just make a pile). You need a fairly large space, like a hallway or a garden or something similar a airport runway would also probably work (it's not like they're being used for anything else.)

You each need a large pile of socks, set a time limit of 2 minutes and the aim is to end up with less socks in your zone than the other player. You have to run the socks to the other players zone and can only carry one pair at a time.

FAMILY WORSHIP

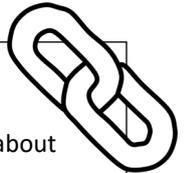


God's Love is Big

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a1R44u6Os1A>

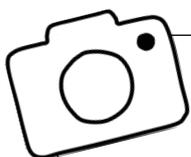
Worship together as a family, this could be doing the actions together (if you don't Have any actions, you could make new ones up as a family, or ask the children to teach you the actions they might know) or listen to the song and chat about what it means to you, dance around the room together, sing loudly, sing softly.

LINK THE STORY



Can anyone remember the other week when we talked about kindness? Well generosity is quite similar to kindness; you could think of it like 'Kindness in action'. The woman in the story gives everything she has, she didn't give much but it was so valuable because she gave as much as she could. Being generous doesn't mean giving loads of money to charity, yes that can be part of it, but really generosity means giving as much as you can to help others. That can be time, love, food, clothes and yes, money. In the book of Luke we read about a little boy who gave a very small lunch of 5 loaves and 2 fish, Jesus took the tiny bit of food and turned it into enough to feed 5000 people.

We can be generous by giving as much as we can, and it doesn't matter if someone else is able to give more than you if you know you gave as much as you could! God takes the little bit that we bring and turns into something amazing!



SNAPSHOT

Take a photo or video of something you have done this week and send it into us. Let us know if you are happy for us to share it.

children@smlpoole.org.uk or share on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter

CREATIVE PRAYER

This week have a go at being generous and while you are doing this (maybe try the ones we suggested in the challenge pray for the people you are helping. If you give some food to the foodbank pray for the people that the food is going to and those who work at the foodbank!

