

Unit 12 at a Glance

Thankfulness

Unit Overview

In this unit the children will study thankfulness. They will hear about the ten lepers that Jesus healed and how only one returned to thank him. They will also study the account of Joseph receiving his coat of many colors. Expressing thanks to parents, friends and God will be the focus of many of the activities in the unit. As the children grow in their knowledge of how others love and take care of them, they will also grow in their expressions of gratitude and thankfulness.

Unit Goals

- The children will identify two biblical examples of thankfulness: The thankful leper whom Jesus healed, and Joseph' gratitude for the gift of his coat.
- The children will learn that friends, family and God take care of their needs.
- The children will express thanks to friends, family and God for meeting their needs.

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Bible Truth

Give thanks to God.
(Psalm 136:26)

Lesson 1 Healing the Sick

The children will hear the convicting account of Jesus healing the ten lepers. They will learn that only one of the ten men returned to thank Jesus. This lesson also will help them to recognize that when they are sick or hurting, someone takes care of them too.

Lesson 2 Jesus Is Thankful

The children will be reminded of the account of Jesus healing the ten lepers. Through various activities, the children will be reminded that others meet their needs. In response, the children will express thanks to God, parents and others in prayer and through the giving of "flowers."

Lesson 3 I Am Thankful

This lesson focuses on Joseph and his thankfulness for receiving the coat of many colors. The children will recognize that, like Joseph, they also receive gifts from their parents or others that meet their needs. The children will learn to express thanks in response to receiving gifts.

Lesson 4 Be Thankful

The children will be reminded of Joseph and his thankfulness for receiving the coat of many colors. Through various activities the children will practice being thankful for receiving gifts. They will also be reminded that receiving gifts, especially practical gifts such as coats, meet their physical needs.

Lesson 5 Review

In this lesson, the children will review many of the ideas on thankfulness presented in this unit.





Dear Parent,

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On the reverse side of this page, you will find an outline and description of the lessons which comprise this unit. Included is a Bible Truth for you to review with your child at home. Please note that this is simply a biblical concept and not an actual verse.

Your active involvement outside the classroom is essential and will truly make the Kingdom Kids Curriculum a great success for your child. Here are some suggested ways you can reinforce these lessons at home:

- Focus on thankfulness during your family devotional. Sing songs with that theme and pray together being thankful for each other.
- Act out the story of the ten lepers with your child. Practice counting together as you act out the story by using your ten fingers to represent the ten lepers.
- Make a list with your child of different things that you are thankful for. See how long you can make the list.

We look forward to being partners with you as together we help plant Seeds of Faith in the heart and mind of your child.

Thank you,

Your child's teachers



Unit 12 Song Sheet



Ten Sick Men

(Tune: Ten Little Indians)

One little, two little, three little sick men,
Four little, five little, six little sick men,
Seven little, eight little, nine little sick men,
Ten sick men met Jesus.

(As you sing use your fingers to count. Wiggle your fingers as you sing.)

They asked Jesus, "Will you heal us?"
They asked Jesus, "Will you heal us?"
They asked Jesus, "Will you heal us?"
"Will you heal us Jesus?"
(Wiggle all ten fingers as you sing.)

They were glad when Jesus healed them,
They were glad when Jesus healed them,
They were glad when Jesus healed them,
But only one came back.
(Wave your hands, and then quickly hide them behind your back.)

One came back and he said, "Thank you,"
One came back and he said, "Thank you,"
One came back and he said, "Thank you,"
"Thank you, thank you, Jesus!"
(Hold one index finger up, keeping the others hidden in your fist.)

Joseph's Coat

(Tune: "Frère Jacques"/"Are You Sleeping?")

Thank you, Daddy, thank you, Daddy,
For my coat, for my coat,
I like it very much, I like it very much,
Thanks again, thanks again.
(Point to Joseph during the last line.)

You are welcome, you are welcome,
For your coat, for your coat.
I'm so glad you like it, I'm so glad you like it,
You're welcome, You're welcome.
(Point to Jacob during the last line.)

My Own Loving Family

(Tune: "I'm a Little Teapot")

God made Daddy.
God made Mother.
God made Sister.
God made Brother.
Thank you, God, for giving me
My own loving family!

We love Daddy.
We love Mother.
We love Sister.
We love Brother.
Thank you, God, for giving me
My own loving family!

Thank You God for Clothes

(Tune: "Mulberry Bush")

1. This is the way we pick up the clothes
pick up the clothes,
pick up the clothes.
This is the way we pick up the clothes.
Thank you, God, for clothes!
2. This is the way we sort the clothes,
sort the clothes,
sort the clothes.
This is the way we sort the clothes.
Thank you, God, for clothes!
3. This is the way we fold the clothes,
fold the clothes,
fold the clothes.
This is the way we fold the clothes.
Thank you, God, for clothes!
4. This is the way we match the socks,
match the socks,
match the socks.
This is the way we match the socks.
Thank you, God, for socks!