

# Unit 7 at a Glance

## Giving

### Unit Overview

In this unit Jesus' giving character is studied. From his feeding of the five thousand, to his healing of a paralytic, to his generous gift of sight to a blind man, the children will see Jesus' willingness to give to others. This unit allows the children many opportunities to imitate Jesus as they are challenged to share and give in many different ways.

### Unit Goals

- The children will identify specific people and events from the Bible.
- The children will identify ways that they can be giving and people that they will be giving toward.
- The children will express their thanks for God's and other's generosity through prayer.

### Unit Contents

#### Lesson 1 He Shared His Lunch

Scripture Memory Verse

Mark 2:12

*This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"*

In this lesson the children will learn of the boy who shared his lunch with Jesus, and that because of the child's willingness to share, Jesus in turn shared with five thousand others. The blessings that come from giving will be emphasized.

#### Lesson 2 Feeding Five Thousand

Scripture Memory Verse

Mark 2:12

*This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"*

In this lesson, the children will act out the feeding of the five thousand as a review. They will also practice serving others and being served themselves. This lesson associates giving with making God and others happy, helping the children to understand that through sharing they can express their love to God and others.

#### Lesson 3 The Paralytic

Scripture Memory Verse

Mark 2:12

*This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"*

The children will study the Mark 2 account of Jesus healing the paralytic. The children will learn about the role the paralytic's friends played in the healing, and will link the action of "helping" with "giving." Through varied activities the children will also identify people that they can help and ways in which they can help them.

#### Lesson 4 I'm Healed

Scripture Memory Verse

Mark 2:12

*This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"*

In this lesson, the children will review Jesus' healing of the paralytic. They will express thanks to others that have personally helped them learn about Jesus. Additionally they will share about what they are learning with another church.

#### Lesson 5 Blind Bartimaeus

Scripture Memory Verse

Mark 2:12

*This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"*

The lesson details the biblical account of Jesus giving sight to Bartimaeus, a blind man. The children will learn to give understanding and empathy to the blind. In addition, they will be introduced to the concept of "spiritual blindness," and learn ways that they can help others to "see" or know God.

#### Lesson 6 I Can See

Scripture Memory Verse

Mark 2:12

*This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"*

This lesson reviews the story of Jesus and Bartimaeus. The children will identify ways that others give to them and express thanks for their help. The children will also make cards that they will give to others helping them to learn more about God.



Dear Parent,

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On the reverse side of this page, you will find an outline and a description of the lessons that comprise this unit. Included with each lesson is a Scripture Memory Verse for you to review with your child at home.

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:

- Read your child the "The Giving Tree" by Shel Silverstein, available through your local library or book store. Discuss the different ways that the tree "gave" to others, and how the tree never stopped giving. Make a parallel between Jesus and the tree in the story.
- Talk with your local HOPE Worldwide representative for advice on how to send a toy to an orphanage or to a child in need. Pick out a toy with your child, wrap it together, and then mail it together. Discuss how Jesus gave to others without expecting anything in return.
- Make a list of the different ways that your child has been "giving" for the last few weeks, and then surprise him with a gift. Even if your child has not been very generous, be positive and compliment the ways he has been giving.

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

