

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

HOME

PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION 15 MINUTES

MADE TO MOVE

an activity that increases the oxygen in the brain and taps into the energy in the body



STORY

Before kids arrive, take some time to pray for each of your kids by name, asking God to reveal to you areas in each of their lives where you can push them to care for others around them, whether it's friends, family members, authority figures, etc.

GROUPS

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Anytime You Need a Friend Jesus Heals Bartimaeus Mark 10:46-52

TODAY'S KEY QUESTION

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TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

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MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

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Compassion—Caring enough to do something about someone else's need

BASIC TRUTH

I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

WHAT YOU NEED: Offering container, balls, mobile device or timer

WHAT YOU DO:

JUST FOR FUN

- Invite kids to put their offering in the offering container as they arrive. •
- Pair kids up and instruct them to stand back-to-back. •
- Give each team a ball. •
- Challenge teams to throw the ball to their partner while still standing backto-back.
- (Optional) Give the group a time limit and see which team can catch the ball • the most often in the allotted time.



PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT 25 MINUTES

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TAKE A SNAPSHOT [LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY] WHAT YOU NEED: Masking tape

WHAT YOU DO:

- Tape two lines on the floor.
- Identify one line as "MORE" and one line as "LESS."
- Ask kids to stand in the middle of the two lines.
- Read one of the statements below and tell kids run to the line that best describes them.
 - Do you spend MORE or LESS than one hour a day on an electronic device?
 - Do you spend MORE or LESS than 15 minutes a day brushing your teeth?
 - Do you spend MORE or LESS than 15 minutes a day waiting for you parents stop talking to friends after church?
 - Do you spend MORE or LESS than one hour a day being outside?
 - Do you spend MORE or LESS than 30 minutes a day talking to friends?
 - Do you spend MORE or LESS than 15 minutes a day being nice to your siblings?
- After the activity, gather kids together and ask:
 - When has someone made time to help you? Encourage kids to share stories. [Make it Personal] (Share a time someone made time to help you with something.)
 - When have you made time to help someone? [Make it Personal] (Share a time you didn't do something you wanted to do to make time to help someone else.)



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS [TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW] WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

Ask:
Can you think of someone in your life who has a need you can help with? What could you do to make time to help them?

- What gets in our way of making time for others? When is it hard to make time to help someone else?
- What can we do to remember to make time for others?

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MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that creates space for personal processing and application



MAKE IT PERSONAL WITH PRAYER [PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Large piece of butcher paper, markers

WHAT YOU DO:

- Gather kids in a circle around a large piece of paper and put the markers where everyone can reach them.
- Ask kids to think of one or two ways they could make time to help someone this week and to write those in various places on the butcher paper.
 - When everyone has finished, ask kids to close their eyes.
- Set a timer for one minute and ask kids to pray silently.
- When the timer goes off, close in prayer.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"God, You are never too busy for us! You are always there, ready to listen to us, ready to help and guide us. We are so thankful for the stories we read about Jesus in the Bible. Jesus shows us what is good. We know caring enough to help others is important to Him and; therefore, it is important to us. Help us slow down and notice the people around us; help us to see opportunities to make time to help others. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

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