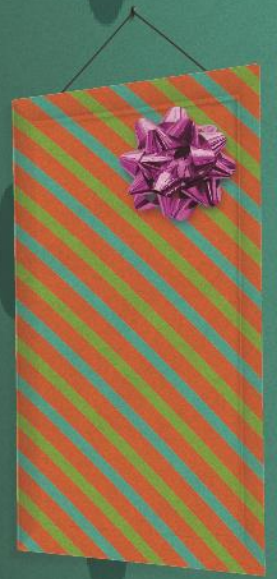


Gifts That Keep on Giving





Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: 1-3rd Grade Verse Page.

1. Time to Talk

Look Up and Read: 1 Timothy 2:1-6. These verses are about how God loves all people and wants everyone to know Him.

- In The Elevate Show, we heard a really quick story about one of the wildest stories in the Bible. What did they say happened in that story? (The disciples had fire over their heads, and they spoke in different languages.)
- Why do you think that might have happened? (You could point out that Jesus' disciples spoke different languages so that everyone could understand the message God was telling them.)
- What are some ways we can “connect” with God? (Pray, Read the Bible.)

Ask: What is going great right now? Is there something that's not going great right now?

Pray: Talk to God, mentioning things the kids talked about if appropriate.

2. Activity

Do This: Read each of the “verse cards” to the kids. Each of the cards has a different verse in a different language. Have them try to guess what the verse is saying, and what language it is in.

Say This: Can you guess how many different languages people speak in the world today? The answer is: about 6,500!

The Point: God cares about every single person around the world, wherever they are, and whoever they are. Like we saw in the story from Acts, God wants every person to connect with Him. That's what He showed us by sending His Spirit and making everyone there able to understand the disciples in their own languages. God cares so much about you, He loves when you pray and talk to Him anytime, anywhere, and in any language! He will always listen to you.

Discuss: How can we help other people connect with God, right where we are? (Invite them to church, talk about God with them, show them that God cares about them.)

Do This: Show kids the invitation they will receive and encourage them to invite someone to our Christmas party!