

May Week 2



Overview Card

Elisha's Room



Key Question:
Bottom Line:
Memory Verse:

Who can help others?
I can help others.
"Be kind and loving to each other."
Ephesians 4:32, NCV

Bible Story:

Do what you can to help.
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2 Kings 4:8-17

Coloring Page:

Friends build a room for Elisha.

Music:

Who Knows Best
Hosanna Rock
Great Big God

Video:

Boz the Bear Video
Thank You God for Friends and Helpers
Part II - Doing Our Fair Share



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ACTIVITY

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Tray Relay

What You Need: Plastic tray, play dishes, and play food.

What You Do: Divide the children into two groups. Have each group stand in a single file line facing each other. There should be at least 10 feet between the two groups. Place the food and dishes on the tray and hand it to the first child in one of the lines. Have that child carefully walk the tray of food without spilling it to the other group. There the child will hand the tray off to the first person in the other group and go to the back of the line. The child holding the tray will walk it back and give it to the next person in line in the opposite group. Continue until everyone has had a turn to carry the tray. If the tray should spill at anytime just replace the food and continue with the activity.

What You Say:

Before the activity: "Have you ever been to a restaurant and seen how the waiter carries the tray full of food? *(Pause.)* Well, today we're going to do just that! I have this tray with plates and food on it and we're going to take turns carrying it to each other. Before we get started, I need for you to make two lines. *(Help children form two lines that are facing each other but are 10 feet apart.)* Now, when I say, 'GO!' I want the first person in this line *(point to line)* to go and get the tray and then carry it over to the first person in that line *(point to other line)*. Once you hand the tray to the next person, go to the end of that line and then it's the next person's turn to carry the tray back over. Everybody got it? *(Pause.)* Great! Let's go!"

At the end of the activity: "Way to go! You guys are great at balancing! Giving food to others is a great way to be a helper. Today we heard more about how we can help others. In our Bible lesson, we heard about someone who helped a man named Elisha. Do you remember who that was?"



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Where's My Hat?

What You Need: "Game Cards" from the Activity Pages on the Web site, white cardstock, and scissors.

What You Do:

Before the activity: Make one copy of "Game Cards" on white cardstock and cut the cards apart. (Option: Make more than one set of cards, depending on the number of children you have.)

During the activity: Play a game of memory match with the children. Mix the cards up and lay them face down on the floor or table. Take turns turning two cards over at a time. The goal is to match a hat with its correct helper. Older children can play the game unassisted once you tell them what to do.

What You Say:

During the activity: "I want everyone to put your thinking caps on. I'm going to show you a picture of a helper and then I want you to tell me which hat goes with that helper. Got it? (Pause.) Here we go! (Show the children each helper and let them pick from the hat pictures.) You did it! Good job! Now do you think you can match the helpers with their hats if I turn all the cards over like this? (Mix cards up and lay them face down.) Come on! You can do it!"

At the end of the activity: "Way to go! You are super smart! Our Bible story today was about another helper. I don't know if she ever wore a hat, but she sure did help a man named Elisha."



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Be Kind

What You Need: No supplies needed.

What You Do: Sing this month's memory verse to the tune of "Are You Sleeping?" Once you have sung the song a few times, stand in a circle. Go around the circle saying the verse and putting each child's name in place of "each other."

What You Say:

During the activity: "I have a song I want to teach you, but it's not just a song. It's also our Memory Verse for this month!"

(Sing to the tune of "Are You Sleeping" while doing the hand motions taught during large group.)

"Be kind (smile really big, tilt your head to the side, and point to your cheeks) and loving (give yourself a great big hug) to (hold up two fingers) each other (point to people with both pointer fingers), 'Ephesians 4:32 (open your hands like a book). (Repeat as many times as desired.)"

"Now that we know our Memory Verse, let's go around the circle and put each other's name in the verse. 'Be kind and loving to (child's name).'" (Continue until every child's name has been said.)

After the activity: "We are helping others when we are kind and loving to them. **Who can help others? (Pause.) [Bottom Line] I can help others!"**



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Woo HOO Chant

What You Need: No supplies needed.

What You Do: Teach the following chant to the children with the motions. You can do different variations of the activity such as moving around the room as you say it, doing with your eyes closed, or saying it very slow or very fast.

“Woo HOO! (*Raise right arm.*) I can help (*right thumb to chest*) you!” (*Point out.*)

What You Say: “Woo HOO! (*Raise right arm.*) I can help (*right thumb to chest*) you! (*Point out.*) What a great thing to say. I love when people help me when I need it! Did you know that we can all be helpers? (*Pause.*) We can; it's true! **Who can help others?** (*Pause.*) Yes! **[Bottom Line] I can help others!**”



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A Little Help From Your Friends

What You Need: Tissue, CD player and fun music

What You Do:

Hand out tissue to each child, and have them place it on top of their heads. Explain that they are going to be moving around the room, and they should try and keep the tissue from falling off while they move.

Play the music, and invite the children to move and dance to the music. The children may hop, skip, dance, sway, or move in another way as long as the tissues stay on their heads (no hands allowed). If the tissue falls off, the child must freeze in place. This is where a little help from a friend comes in handy!

Another child can pick up the tissue and put it back on the first child's head. That will unfreeze the first child. To simplify the activity, the top of a friend can unfreeze a frozen child, allowing the child to pick up the dropped tissue and put it back in place.

What You Say:

"One of the reasons God gave us hands is so we can help others. Today we're going to play a fun game where we can help our friends with our hands. I am going to give each one of you a tissue that you should place on your head. We are going to be dancing and moving to the music and we must try to keep the tissue from falling off while we move. Once the music starts, you can hop, skip, dance, sway, or move in another way as long as the tissue stays on your head (no hands allowed). If the tissue falls off, you must freeze in place until someone comes to help you. One of your friends can pick up the tissue and put it back on your head, that will unfreeze you. Are you ready to have some fun? Here we go..."



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CRAFT

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Color Your Own Watering Can Cards - with flower seeds



What You Need: Card, markers or crayons, seed packet

What You Do:

Have the children color their own watering can cards for Mother's Day! Have the children add a packet of seeds and watch your love grow all summer long!

What You Say: "We have such wonderful mommies! Let's make our mommies a wonderful present for Mother's Day to show them how special they are!"

