

CITY SG- April 29th/30th

Bible Story: Humility of Jesus • *Philippians 2:3-8*

Bottom Line: Jesus wants me to put others first.

Memory Verse: “Don’t do anything only to get ahead. Don’t do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value others more than yourself.” *Philippians 2:3, NIV*

Life App: Humility—putting others first by giving up what you think you deserve.

Pass to Win!

What You Need: “Pass to Win!” Game Board (1 per bin) , “Soccer Ball Tokens” (2 sets of 5 per bin), “Scenarios” Activity Page, die (1 per bin)

What You Do:

- Lead kids in a group “Chutes and Ladders”-esque board game.
- Guide kids to get into teams of two or three.
- Set the game board on the floor so the teams can gather around it.
- Assign each team a soccer ball token. To determine the order of play, ask a child from each team to roll the die. The team with the *lowest* number goes first.
- Guide teams to take turns rolling the die and moving their token the appropriate number of spaces.
- If a team lands on a “Pass” space, read a “Pass to Win!” from the “Scenarios” Activity Page. When the team answers, invite them to “pass” their ball “up the field.”
- If a team lands on a “Foul” space, read a “Foul” scenario. Guide the team to move to their ball backwards as shown.
- Continue the game until every team scores a GOAL!

What You Say:

- What is your favorite sport?
- Why do you think we put ourselves before others? (We want the spotlight)
- Towards the end of today’s story, we saw Kylie put her friends first. What changed about her? (*She was able to sing with her friends, stopped getting angry, and made her friends happy*).
- How does Jesus show humility? (*By dying on the cross for our sins*)
- Do you think Jesus’ way is better than our way? Why or why not?
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First One, First Serve

What You Need: Large Cardstock (1 sheet per group, per service); markers/pencils

What You Do:

- Have the kids gather around the paper and instruct them to draw a picture of something they can do to put others first.
- Give the kids time to draw and help by giving them new ideas.
- Once you finish, go around the circle and ask them what they drew and how they can put others first.
- Remind the kids to put others first by sharing markers and feel free to ask discussion questions while they draw.

What You Say:

- Can you think of any other ways to put others first?
- What was our definition of humility? (Putting others first by giving up what you think you deserve)
- Tell of a time when it was hard, but you still put someone else first. If you can’t think of a time, can you think of someone from a movie or TV show who has?
- What is a way you can put others first this week?
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Pray

What You Need: No Supplies

What You Do:

- Guide kids to gather around you.
- Use the conversation below as a guide to lead kids into prayer.
- Lead kids in prayer, asking God to help the kids to put others first, even when it's hard.

What You Say:

"It's always tempting to think about yourself first. But God turns things upside down and wants us to do what Jesus did and put others first.

"You can follow Jesus' example in your own life in big and small ways. You can (*name some of the ways kids said that they could put others first*). When you keep your eyes open, you'll find so many ways to put others ahead of yourself. It may not be easy at first, but the longer you follow God, the more often you'll see ways to give up what you think you deserve in order to put others first. And in God's eyes, that's a WIN! Let's pray."

EXTRA ACTIVITY

Philippians 2:3 Puzzle

What You Need: Philippians 2:3 Puzzle Pieces (2 per bin), Philippians 2:3 guide (1 per bin),

What You Do:

- Have the kids split into two teams and hand a whole puzzle to each team. Each team will race to put the puzzle together. The first team to assemble all the pieces, will win the game.
- You can have the guide to make sure the pieces are in the correct order, but make sure not to show anyone.

What You Say:

- What words in our verse stick out to you?
- What do you think they mean by being proud? (*thinking you're best all the time*)
- Can you be humble without putting someone first?
- Close your eyes and try to imagine a world where nobody put others first. What does it look like?
- Now do the opposite and imagine a world where everyone is concerned about others and puts others first.
- Which world would you rather live in?
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