

Alley Rundown—November 22nd, 2020

Today's Bible Story: New Attitude (The Story of the Workers in the Vineyard) • *Matthew 20:1-15*

Today's Key Question: What is keeping you from being grateful?

Today's Bottom Line: Adjust your attitude.

Monthly Memory Verse: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good. His love endures forever. (Psalm 136:1 NIV)

Pre-Service Video: Cow, Turkey, Pilgrim

NOTE: Start this Video 10 Minutes before your Service Start Time

CG: Countdown Video

WORSHIP: King of Glory

Close Worship Time in Prayer

Supplies Needed: Large Shout-Out Die

"Hey everyone! I'm so glad you're here today. You all did a great job giving God gratitude during worship. But I have a question for you to start off our talk today, "How do you show gratitude when the going gets tough? "A subject you don't understand in school—how can you be thankful then? Someone you don't get along with—what does thankfulness look like now? Moving to a new state. A sick loved one. Cancelled plans."

Take out the large shout-out die with questions. Roll dice, read with a positive attitude, but don't allow anyone to answer the questions. After a couple rolls, just say the rest of the categories.

Note: This could be a great place to for the communicator to share a personal story regarding any of those topics if it fits and is helpful.

"We will face all sorts of situations when life doesn't go as planned. Some of you might be facing something like right now. It's one thing to show gratitude when everything is going well. But what about when life is really hard? How can you be grateful even then? We've been talking all month about the importance of gratitude, but if we're honest, we've all faced times when it's just hard. But guess what—so did a lot of people who are talked about in the Bible. The best place to go when we have questions like this is to check the Bible for something that might relate and help us figure out the questions. Today we head to a moment from Jesus' life that I think can help us figure it out. Let's take a look at this week's Episode!"

CG: Lesson Video (Runtime: 12:00)

"Today, as you head to Small Group, think about this question –

SLIDE: Key Question Slide

What is keeping you from being grateful? In other words, where does your attitude need adjusting? You may not know right now, or this might be hard to talk about. Don't worry, your Small Group will get the chance to talk about this together. And as you do, think about some ways you can focus on seeing the ways you can be grateful this week. Before you head out, though, let's pray and thank God for being so good to us. Let's also ask God to help us see the good things He does for us. Let's pray."

Lead group in a prayer related to what they just heard. After prayer, lead kids in the "All Together Activities" as detailed in the attached sheet.