

## CITY LG – November 25- 27, 2023

**Today's Bible Story:** Remember Me (The Lord's Supper/Passover) • 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Exodus 12

**Today's Bottom Line:** Make a habit of being grateful.

**Monthly Memory Verse:** *Give thanks to the Lord, because he is good. His faithful love continues forever.* Psalm 136:1 (NirV)

### WORSHIP

Unshakeable

Love's Running After

**SLIDE:** Theme

Hello, everyone! It's been a great month here in the CITY and I want to THANK you for all you've done to make it awesome! We've learned so much on how to be thankful and share our gratitude.

**SLIDE:** Theme Transition to Virtue

**Gratitude is letting others know you see how they've helped you.**

**SLIDE:** Virtue Transition to Theme

People help us all the time, but sometimes we might forget to say thank you. Like, who wakes you up for school in the morning? Or buys the food for your breakfast or lunch? Or cleans up your cereal bowl after you put it in the sink? There are lots of things people do for us that we can be grateful for—especially at home!

God can help us live in a grateful way and actually SAY thank you instead of just FEELING thankful.

I'm going to give you some time to discuss this question as a group....

**Who is someone you should say thank you to and why?** *(walk around and listen to kids' answer is their groups. Bring them back together in a few minutes when most groups are done). If time, have a couple of kids share their answers with the group.*

We've learned so much about gratitude—and it's not over yet! Today, we'll look at a couple different parts of the Bible and see how they fit together with a really cool story of gratitude. *(Hold up Bible.)*

Let's check it out...

**VIDEO:** Bible Story (11:44)

**SLIDE:** theme

I think it's so cool to understand what Communion is all about! It's really a way for us to say thank you . . . and tell God how grateful we are.

We can look at God's story through the whole Bible and see all that God has done. God promised to bless the world through Abraham's family. From that family, Jesus was born. Then because of Jesus, God made a way for all of us to be saved.

Communion is a way for us to remember what Jesus did for us. It's a habit that reminds us of just how much He loves us! It's a habit that reminds us to be grateful. Let's stand up and take a look at our bottom line...

**VIDEO: Bottom Line**

**SLIDE: Bottom Line**

### **Make a habit of being grateful.**

It's a really wise choice for us to make habits of gratitude. Can you think of some other habits, like Communion, that will remind us to be grateful?

*Take a few responses.*

Right! We can say a prayer and thank God when we get up or go to sleep, before we eat a meal, or anytime! We can thank God for the good things in our lives. We can thank God for loving us and for sending Jesus for us.

We can make habits of thanking others, too. You can get in the habit of saying thank you to your teacher when you leave school each day. After all, she works so hard to make learning fun! I bet you can think of some other people you can thank, too. Let's get in the habit of being grateful—and SAYING how grateful we are! Let's pray.

*"God we are amazed when we think about the love You've shown all throughout Your Big story. You have done so much for Your people, and You are still working in our lives today. Thank You for Your love. Thank You for sending Jesus to be our Savior. Help us make habits of gratitude to remember all that You've done. Help us get in the habit of thanking other people as well. Thank You, God, for showing us how we can live with gratitude. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."*

### **OFFERING:**

Where has our offering money been going to this year? Yep, to families in Kenya! They are experiencing lack of food because of an on-going drought. We are collecting money for food baskets for families in Turkana. If you have any offering, you can bring it up now while we watch this video of Turkana families.

**Turkana video #2**

**SLIDE: Theme**