

CITY LG – August 29th- 30th, 2026

Bible Story: Gifted Together (Building the Tabernacle) • Exodus 25:1-2, 8-9; 28:1-3; 31:1-11; 35:21, 25, 34; 39:42-43

Bottom Line: God grows His gifts in me to build His kingdom.

Monthly Memory Verse: *How you made me is amazing and wonderful. I praise you for that. What you have done is wonderful. I know that very well.* • Psalm 139:14 NIV

WORSHIP

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Waymaker

SLIDE: Theme

Hey, everyone! Welcome to The City! I'm so glad you're here today. If this is your first time, we're so excited you joined us!

Our series this month is called 'Masterpiece—Made by God,' and all month long, we've been talking about how you are a masterpiece, made by God on purpose and for a purpose. And today, we get to discover how the gifts God put in us can grow and help God build something amazing—His kingdom!

Let's get started by saying 'hi' to each other! Look around the room, find three people you didn't come here with, and give them a big wave or a high five!

Awesome! Now, if you're wearing the color green, stand up and show us your strongest superhero pose! Go on, strike a pose!

Wow, I see some green superheroes in the room!

Okay, now if your favorite snack is something sweet, do a little happy dance! But if you'd rather have something salty, spin around five times!

That was fun! You guys can take a seat.

Raise your hand if you love to draw, build, or create things.

We've got a lot of artists and builders in the room!

Before we jump into today's Bible Story, I have a question I want us all to answer. Circle up with your small group and answer this: **What is a gift or skill or talent that God has given me?**

Large group leader should walk around listening to groups as they answer this. Give them a couple of minutes.

Today's Bible Story is all about how God gives us unique gifts, and when we use those gifts together, we can do something amazing for Him. Let's check it out...

VIDEO: Bible Story

God used the gifts of His people to build the tabernacle—a special place to meet with Him. And today, God still uses people to do big things—kids too!

Our Bottom Line for today also talks about this! Let's see what it says.

SLIDE: Bottom Line

God grows His gifts in me to build His kingdom.

The things God has given you—your abilities, your time, your possessions—are not random. God has given you exactly what you need for the life He's placed you in. Just like God's people had the job of building the tabernacle, you have the job of showing God's good, beautiful heart.

You don't have to wait until you're older. You don't have to be perfect. You just have to be willing. Because when you bring what God has given you to Him, no matter how small it seems, He makes it part of something so much bigger.

Maybe you're really good at helping others. Or maybe you love to play basketball. Maybe you love to draw, or build, or sing, or solve problems. Maybe you have an extra pair of shoes you can give away. Whatever God has given you, God wants you to use it, not just to do something fun or cool, but to help others and show His love.

When you use your gift to serve others, something amazing happens: People see God and His goodness!

Let's talk to the God who loves to build something beautiful from your gifts!

God, thank You for making each one of us so special. You gave us amazing gifts. We know You made us on purpose. Help us use our gifts so we can be part of building something wonderful—Your kingdom! We want to help others know how good You are. We want the whole world to see Your good, beautiful heart. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen

CHECK THE TIME: There should be 25 minutes for small group. If LG is running late, skip the next part and just have kids bring up their money.

SLIDE: Back to School Bash

We are celebrating back to school with a party in the City in a few weeks on September 12th & 13th! We will have games, prizes, crafts and tons of FUN! Bring your postcards home to show your family and invite your friends to church!

OFFERING

Do you remember what we are raising money for this year? Yep, Clean water wells in Malawi, which is a country in Africa. Having a well with clean water right in their village means women and children don't have to travel far away to other villages to get clean water, and then they don't have to walk back with heavy containers. Let's watch a video that will show women filling their bins with clean water from a brand new well that was just installed in their village!

Missions video 1

Amazing right? Can't wait to see how these wells impact the villages in Malawi!