

CITY SG – October 31st- November 1st, 2026

Bible Story: Jesus Washes the Disciple's Feet (John 13:1-17)

Bottom Line: S: Serve

Monthly Memory Verse: He said to them, "Go into all the world. Preach the good news to everyone." Mark 16:15 NIV

NOTE FOR SG LEADERS:

Our entire church is participating in a special alignment series over the next five weeks. This means both kids and adults are receiving a similar message. This content is coming from a different resource than we usually use and certain elements may look different during this series. Have fun on this special mission and thank you for making a Kingdom difference in the lives of PARKVIEW KIDS!

PRE- SERVICE ACTIVITY

What You Need: 24 large plastic cups (per bin)

What You Do:

- Welcome kids by name with a high-five, fist bump, smile, or wave as they arrive.
- Invite any kids who brought an offering to place it in the offering container.
- Tell the kids we are going to have cup stacking competitions.
- Give 2 kids 12 cups each.
- Have them compete against each other stacking their cups into a pyramid.
- Encourage others to cheer them on.
- After they are done, have 2 others compete.
- If everyone has had a chance, try again stacking the cups in one tower!

Say: "That was fun! Let's go hear what happens in our Bible story today!"

SMALL GROUP TIME

1. Pass the Towel Review

Bible Story Review

What You Need: One small hand towel, worship music played on a phone

What You Do:

- Have the kids sit in a circle or at the table.
- Give one kid the towel.
- Play worship music while they pass the towel around the circle.
- When you stop the music, ask the kid holding it to answer a review question.
- After all of the questions are answered, ask each kid to share one practical way they can help or serve someone at home or school this week.

- Review Questions:
 - What does the S stand for in BLESS in our lesson? (*Serve*)
 - What were Jesus' 12 friends called who eating the Passover meal with? (*The disciples*)
 - Who surprised Peter and the other disciples by washing their feet? (*Jesus*)
 - What two items did Jesus use to wash their feet? (*a bowl of water and a towel*)
 - Why do you think the roads make people's feet so dirty? (*The were dusty, dirt roads and people wore sandals*)
 - Why did Jesus wash their feet if He was their Teacher and Lord? (*to give them an example of how to serve and love each other*)
 - What did Jesus say would happen if we follow His example and serve others? (*we will be happy*)

2. Serve Charades

Application Activity

What You Need: Serving cards (printed on cardstock)

What You Do:

- Demonstrate how to complete the activity by acting out a way to serve other people. Lead kids to guess what you are doing.
- Play this game by having kids act as individuals or in pairs.
 - In Pairs:
 - Divide pairs to act out other ways to serve. Have each pair randomly draw a "serve" idea card. Give everyone a minute to practice silently acting out their "serve" ideas.
 - Pairs take turns acting out ways to serve while the group guesses what their serve idea was! Give hints as needed.
 - Individuals:
 - Have one kid draw a "serve" idea and act in front of the group.
 - Have the groups guess what their serve idea is! Give hints as needed.

3. Space Poster

Memory Verse Activity

What You Need: Butcher Paper

What You Do:

- Depending on the age/ability of your group, you can either:
 - Give each child a Bible and look up the memory verse together.
 - Read the memory verse to the group.
 - *He said to them, "Go into all the world. Preach the good news to everyone."* Mark 16:15
- Depending on your group divide kids into groups of 3 or 5
- Create a space poster with the memory verse on it
 - Add planets, stars, spaceships, etc..
 - Make sure the verse is written on the poster
 - *If you have younger kids, write the verse on the poster for them.*
- Allow time for kids to share their poster

AT THE 5- MINUTE CALL:

PRAY USING THE BLESS PRAYER POSTER

- Ask, “Does anyone have any prayer requests or things they want to thank God for from this week? *(Let the kids share their prayer requests and praises)*
- Put the BLESS Prayer laminated Poster in your space and read that prayer. Then end praying for any prayer requests that were given. *(We will pray this prayer each week of the series)*
- Remind the kids that when they leave, their parents should get a text message on their phones telling them what we learned this week. AND they will get a link to an activity they can do at home and bring back for a PRIZE!

PARENT PICK UP POINT: As adults arrive, have them name one way they can serve someone this week.