



CHILDREN'S CHURCH AT HOME

- KNOW JESUS CHRIST
- GROW TO BE LIKE HIM
- GO SERVE HIM

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THANKFULNESS - THANK YOU FOR INCLUDING ME

KNOW >

Parent/Teacher: Say: One of the greatest acts of generosity in the Bible came from a man known for his greed and dishonesty. Zacchaeus was a wee little man, the song goes, but he had a fortune at home. Then, one day, he met Jesus. Jesus' love changed Zacchaeus forever. Zacchaeus didn't just say "thank you" either. He showed his thanks with an incredible act of generosity.

GROW >

Parent/Teacher: Say: Zacchaeus was a tax collector, one of the most hated professions of his time. Tax collectors worked for Rome, and no one liked the Romans. They were often dishonest and would enrich themselves by taking more from the people they taxed than what the law required.

READ LUKE 19:1-10

Say: It was shocking to some to see Jesus go into the home of Zacchaeus, but Jesus was just being Jesus. How was Jesus being Jesus? (wait for responses)

When we talk about giving, what comes to mind? (wait for responses) The Bible says we need to give 10% of what we make to the church, and that is a great habit to start as a kid. However, giving is not limited to giving money. Another way we can give is to give our talents to God or to use our talent in giving back to our community. The third way we can give to God is by giving our time and how can we do that? (wait for responses)

GO >

Parent/Teacher: Say: God has given us Jesus. He's given us a beautiful world, family, friends, and so much more. How awful would it be if we failed to give back to the one who has given us so much? Don't let a prayer be the only form of thanks you give to God. Give your money, your time, and your gifts to the Lord, and let your actions say, "I love you, God. Thank you for loving me first!" Let's pray.

HIDE IT YOUR HEART >

Parent/Teacher: Say: Filling our mind and heart with God's Word helps us obey God and builds our faith.

- Memory Verse

"Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done."
1 Chronicles 16:8

Suggested activity:

Have the kids read the verse together, read it normal, then in a whisper, then shout it out.

Parent/Teacher: Come up with other fun ways for the kids to remember the verse.

ACTIVITY >

Let the kids fill some plastic baggies with pick-a-mix candy. Bring in some assorted bags of candy and let them pick a few pieces from each. Encourage the kids to share the candy with their friends, an act of thanks for what they have been given.