

LOWER ELEMENTARY- NOVEMBER



ELEMENTARY

NOVEMBER 2024

MONTHLY OVERVIEW

GOD VIEW:

THE CONNECTION BETWEEN GENEROSITY AND GOD'S CHARACTER, AS SHOWN THROUGH GOD'S BIG STORY

Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35, NIV) However, sometimes generosity doesn't come naturally to us. We want the newest and best things, or we want everyone to notice what we have. When we really enjoy the things we have, sometimes that makes it harder for us to be willing to share with others. However, with the help of God's Spirit, we can learn that HOW we give is more important than even WHAT we give. It's about our hearts. God showed us the ultimate example of generosity by sending Jesus. This month, we'll take a look at how we can respond by being generous to others.

WEEK ONE

BIBLE STORY

Every Good and Perfect Gift
James 1:17a

BOTTOM LINE

God gives us good things.

WEEK TWO

BIBLE STORY

Widow of Zarephath
1 Kings 17:7-16

BOTTOM LINE

You always have something to give.

WEEK THREE

BIBLE STORY

God Loves a Cheerful Giver
2 Corinthians 9:7

BOTTOM LINE

Give with a good attitude.

WEEK FOUR

BIBLE STORY

Love in Action
1 John 3:16-18

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus showed us how to give.

MEMORY VERSE

EVERY GOOD AND PERFECT GIFT IS FROM GOD.

JAMES 1:17A, NIRV

GENEROSITY

MAKING SOMEONE'S DAY BY GIVING SOMETHING AWAY



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WEEK 1

We start the month with an insight from James 1:17a: “Every good and perfect gift is from God.” (NirV) Every good thing in our lives comes from God, starting with the gift of Jesus. When we take the time to reflect on all that God has given us, we can respond by being generous to others.

God gives us good things. Some of the best gifts in life don’t come with wrapping paper. Sometimes, the best gifts in life are free because they are thought out and made especially for us. We have all received good things because of God’s generosity. Everything good comes from God, from the air we breathe to the things we enjoy in our everyday lives.

Memory Verse

“Every good and perfect gift is from God. ”

James 1:17a (NirV)

Bible Truth

Every good and perfect gift.

James 1:17a

Bottom Line

God gives us good things.

NOTES:

- All **yellow highlighted text** are cues for visual and audio slides.
- The text in **red** indicates stage directions.

Special Delivery -Week 1 Teaching Outline:

Start at 15 after (if service is expected to be about an hour)

1. Intro: Welcome kids, get them excited.
2. Worship
3. Room Expectations
4. FATW: **Uncharted**
5. Intro: Special Delivery
6. Bible Lesson Video: **Every good and perfect gift**
7. Application
 - Weekly Bottom Line: **God gives us good things**
 - Memory Verse: **“Every good and perfect gift is from God.” James 1:17a (NirV)**
 - -Virtue: **Generosity**
 - Prayer

Lesson Total: 30 minutes

8. Small Groups: 15 minutes

End on the hour



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WEEK 1

WELCOME 3 minutes (Welcome kids)

Hi everyone! Welcome to Flatiron Kids! I'm so excited to see you here today! It's a great day for us to sing and give praises to God. We are going to worship God together. Today, let's use everything we have to praise God—our hands, our feet, our words, and our energy . . . but most of all, our hearts. Let's all stand up on our feet as we sing together!

WORSHIP 6-7 minutes

(Encourage kids to worship God through song and dance. Play worship songs).

Show Worship Song: One Way

Show Worship Song: This is Amazing Grace

Announcements

Share campus-specific announcements -see your Kids Director for details.

ROOM EXPECTATIONS

Show Graphic: Elementary Room Expectations

We want to have all the fun here at Flatiron Kids Ministry! We have a few things we like to commit to ensure everybody has a good time.

Flatiron Kids Are:

Respectful: We respect everyone and take care of our room and toys.

Kind: We treat each other kindly, just like we want to be treated; we go out of our way to be kind to others in the room.

Focused: We listen and follow the leaders in the room and the teacher in each activity.

Accountable: None of us are perfect; we will all make mistakes, but we will try our best and choose to change our actions when needed.

FRIENDS AROUND THE WORLD

Show Graphic: Friends Around the World – Uncharted

Here in Kids Ministry, we do this cool thing called Friends Around the World. Every month we help one of our friends with a special project in their community. This month, we're partnering with our friends at Uncharted International.

Uncharted supports brave men and women in several places around the world who are building churches and teaching about Jesus. They help people learn about how awesome God is, often in communities where it's dangerous to follow Him, and we're going to support them in their work.

If you brought money for our friends, come on up!

Show Song: Friends Around the World – Uncharted

Thank you so much for taking care of our friends! Praying is a great way to show others we love them. I challenge you this week to pray for our friends at Uncharted.

INTRO 1 minute

Show Series Theme Graphic: Special Delivery

“What’s up, everybody? (Hold up Bible.) This month, we get to take a look at the Bible and talk about how God gives us good gifts. The Bible is true, trustworthy, and helpful in our everyday lives. Today, we’re looking at a book called James, which was written by a man named . . . James. James was the half-brother of Jesus, which is pretty amazing to think about! James became a follower of Jesus and believed that Jesus is God’s Son. In fact, James gave his life to help lead the church. James wanted everyone to have faith in Jesus, like he did.

But he didn’t want them to stop there. James believed that it was important for us to put faith into ACTION. He didn’t think we should believe in Jesus and never do anything with that faith. He knew that if people put their faith into action, they could make a difference in this world as they shared God’s love with others. Let’s check out our video!

BIBLE TRUTH 10 -12 minutes

Show Video: Video_WK1_StoryLab

APPLICATION 3 minutes

Show Graphic: WK1_Bottom Line

“Every good thing in our lives is a gift from God. That’s true about the people we love . . . the things we have . . . and the things we love to do. God has also given us the Bible so we can read God’s Story and choose to follow Jesus. And God has given us Jesus to be our Savior and Friend forever. If we focus on those good gifts from God, we can choose to be grateful. We can live by remembering how good and generous God has been to us. **[BOTTOM LINE] God gives us good things.** Say that with me. **God gives us good things.**

Some of the best gifts in life don’t come with wrapping paper. Sometimes, the best gifts in life are free because they are thought out and made especially for us. We have all received good things because of God’s generosity. Everything good comes from God, from the air we breathe to the things we enjoy in our everyday lives. And those good things are all reminders of God’s generosity! Generosity is a big word, but this is what it means:

Show Graphic: Virtue

Generosity is about making someone’s day by giving something away.

Sometimes, it’s easy to think about what we DON’T have rather than what we DO have. That’s when we need to remember and pay attention to all the amazing things God has generously given us.

MEMORY VERSE

Show Verse: James 1:17a (NIRV)

Here’s what James had to say about the things God has given us. This is our Memory Verse for this month—James 1:17. Say it with me.

Every good and perfect gift is from God. (NIRV)

Every good and perfect gift is from God. Every good thing in our lives comes from God, starting with the gift of Jesus. The more we notice and thank God for being generous to us, the easier it is for us to live with generosity, too.

Let’s pray and ask God to help us notice the good gifts around us.

PRAYER

God, thank You for the way You love us. Thank You for what we learned today—that every good and perfect gift in our lives comes from You! We want to notice the gifts You've given to us and to thank You for them. God, help us to see Your gifts every day, to be grateful for them, and to share them with others. Thank You for Jesus, the best gift of all. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

SMALL GROUPS

Get ready to head to Small Group and review today's Bible story!

(Dismiss kids to their small groups).

Show Graphic: Small Group