



Junior Church

LESSON PLANS: 29-11-20

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Family Fun

(All Ages)

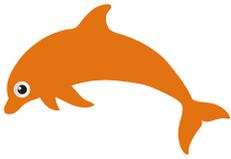
Worship workout

Activity time: 10–15 minutes

Aim: to worship God

You will need: music

1. Explain to the children that they are going to have a high-energy worship workout session.
2. Decide on a high-energy worship song to sing together, and then challenge the children to work in teams to make up aerobic moves to go with each phrase.
3. Different groups could work on different phrases, if necessary.
4. Challenge the children to teach each other the moves they have created, and then worship God together by working out to the music.
5. Afterwards, when everyone has got their breath back, thank God that we can give to him in worship in so many ways.



Dolphins

(Age 3, F1 & F2)

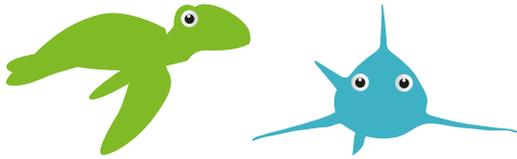
A place to worship God

Activity time: 10–15 minutes

Aim: to experience giving to God

You will need: assorted gifts to give to Bezalel (another leader), such as fabric, wood, jewellery, shaped bottles (perfumes), boxes wrapped in coloured foil (gold and silver)

1. Set out your 'gifts' where the children can pick them up easily. (If you do not have suitable items or space, the children can mime their giving.)
2. Explain that God told Moses to make a special tent where the people could go to talk to God. It had to be a tent, so the people could take it with them, when they moved from place to place. Moses asked the people to give beautiful things to make the tent really lovely.
3. Suggest that the children can help to bring gifts for the tent. Say: 'Moses asked the people to give their jewellery: their rings and necklaces and pretty things.' Pause while a few children pick these up from your collection.
4. Ask them to carry their gifts to 'Bezalel' (an adult helper), explaining that he is the clever person who will make the tent. As they do this, all sing to the melody of the 'Mulberry Bush': This is the way we give to God, Give to God, give to God. This is the way we give to God, To say to God that we love him.
5. Repeat the giving and the song, with: gold and silver, fabric and wool, spices, oils and perfumes. Make sure every child has an opportunity to give an item.
6. Ask Bezalel if you have given enough gifts to make a beautiful tent. (Yes: more than enough!) What is Bezalel going to do now?
7. Listen while Bezalel describes, briefly, how beautiful the tent will be and how busy he will be, making it and getting it ready. When it is finished, God will show them how happy he is by filling the tent with a bright and shiny cloud!
8. Say that God made sure the people had everything and everyone they needed to make the tent. And the people were happy to give to God.



Turtles Sharks

(Year 1 & 2)

(Year 3 & 4)

Weekly worship

Activity time: 10 minutes

Aim: to record our worship to God this week

You will need: copies of the Splash! sheet from page 91 (attached)

1. Give each child a copy of the Splash! sheet from page 91 and explain that they are going to record their daily worship.
2. Challenge the children to think about different ways in which they can worship God this week. Remind the children that it can be a skill, ability or something that they have given, like money or time, as well as a song or a dance!
3. Ask the children to find Sunday on their weekly worship chart (the children may find it easier to read the days of the week if they turn their sheet landscape) and to write or draw there a way that they have worshipped God today.

Splash!

Tuesday

Monday

Wednesday

Thursday

Sunday

Friday

Saturday

helping

making

singing praise

giving

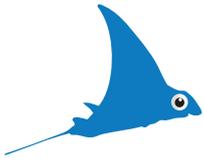
Think of all the different ways that you can worship God.

Write or draw how you worship God each day this week.



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quiet prayers



Stingrays

(Year 5 & 6)

Quiz

Activity time: 10–15 minutes

Aim: to think about people who gave things to God

You will need: copies of the Xstream sheet from page 93 (attached)

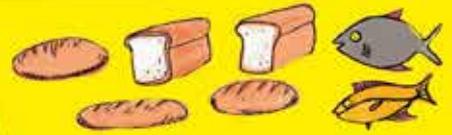
1. Give each child a copy of the Xstream sheet from page 93.
2. Look together at the quiz about people who gave things to God and challenge the children to draw lines from the gifts to the givers. Chat about the answers (a widow near the Temple – two coins; Hannah – her son; a boy in the crowd – loaves and fish; wise men – gold, frankincense and myrrh; Mary – perfume; David – music)!
3. Talk together about why people choose to give things to God. Ask the children what sort of things they might give to God.

Whose gift?



What did these Bible characters give to God?

can you draw a line from the giver to the gift?



a widow near
the Temple

Hannah

a boy in
the crowd

wise men

Mary

David