

Theme

GIVING like Jesus

Pequea Kids' 40-Day Memory Verse

Therefore EVERYONE WHO HEARS THESE WORDS OF MINE AND PUTS THEM INTO PRACTICE IS LIKE A WISE MAN who built his house on the rock. Matthew 7:24 (ALL CAPS = preschool portion)

This Week's Lesson Comes From

As Jesus looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. "Truly I tell you," he said, "this poor widow has put in more than all the others. All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on." Luke 21:1-4

Big Idea

Why is GIVING to Jesus important?

Dear Parents:

Many of the targets of Red Letter Challenge are things that will progress as children grow into adulthood: but often kids grasp things even easier than adults do! The giving principle is often something that is often even easier for kids to do than adults! It will amaze you at their generosity, when you give them opportunities to give and share.

We talk about motive for giving, as well as who is the Ultimate Giver, Jesus. Understanding what Jesus has given to us helps us give freely to whoever needs it. We give because we have been given everything.

Not accepting and allowing them to give extravagantly like that stifles something that is so beautiful inside. If during this week they feel prompted to give something that makes you hesitate, that's normal! Let them give! And give freely!

Challenge: ways you can GIVE this week:

- Give food to the needy. Ask your parents or an adult if you can help clear out your cupboards or go shopping and collect food to bring to church for the Conestoga Food Bank.
- Go through closets and empty out drawers of clothes/toys to give away to a neighbor or a local secondhand store or women's shelter.
- Bring money to give to our SPICE offering so other boys and girls can go to school and learn about Jesus in India & Nepal.

K-5 kids add a red sticker to the Elementary challenge poster when they complete a challenge.

*If following along in the **kids' devotional book**, Red Letter Challenge Kids by Zach and Allison Zehnder (available on Amazon), you will want to complete the GIVING section on pgs. 172-215 this week.*

*Visit pequeachurch.com/kids to **listen to an audio recording of "The Winds of Redvale part 6"**, a fantasy story found in the Red Letter Challenge Kids devotional that goes with today's lesson.*

Plan to be at church November 23 at 9 or 10:30 a.m. for Celebration Sunday!

Kids are invited to sing some songs they have been singing in class during The Red Letter Challenge at the start of each worship hour, PLUS they will celebrate what they have been learning with some JUGGLING!

