



KIDTOWN GUIDE

2K-5K

DATE: 5/10/20

SCRIPTURE: John 4:3-32

LESSON: The Greatest Gift



INTRO

Parents say to your kid(s) - Last week we started learning our new story about the greatest gift of God's love! Today we are going to act out part of the story together!

The Most Refreshing

Fill a few cups with different things to taste test. Fill one with cool water and the others with things you know they would not want--soy sauce, dirt water, vinegar, etc. Have them decide what food or drink item is the best when they are really thirsty, especially if they have just been playing outside when it's really hot.

Parents say to your kid(s) - In our story today, Jesus and His helpers had been walking outside for a very long time, they were probably tired and thirsty. The woman in the story offered Jesus some very refreshing water, but the gift He offered to her was much better.



IFSSON - THE GREATEST GIFT

One of the most important ways we get to disciple kids is by teaching God's Word and how it points to Jesus. Our preschoolers are going through the God Loves Me Storybooks. These books tell the story of Scripture over 12 books, one for each month of the year. For one month kids hear and interact with the same story so that they can learn it well! Each week there is a different activity for the story.

This is Week 2 of our story, The Greatest Gift. This week, read the story together and act out a section of the story while you read it.

Parents say to your kid(s) - We're going to read our story, The Greatest Gift!

Book: The Greatest Gift

Act it Out - Getting Water - explain that during the time of this story, the way that people would get water was to carry a large pot to a well and then walk back to their homes after collecting water. Grab a pot or vase and walk together around the room or around your house, pretending you are walking to a well, make your way around obstacles and add in an extra challenge by pretending the floor is lava or create your own obstacles. Then go to get water from the sink. Finally, offer your kids a cup of water to drink after their hard work getting all the way to the "well".

Say - It was hard work getting to our "well" to get water and that water we drank once we were there was so good and refreshing! The gift that Jesus offered the woman was even better than a good cold cup of water after a long walk. He offered her God's love!







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Parents say to your kid(s) - It's good to respond to learning about Jesus in the Bible. Sometimes we sing because Jesus is worthy of our songs. Sometimes we pray because we need help and God says we can talk to Him about anything! We can also do another activity that relates to our lesson!

Sing: This Little Light of Mine Praise Ye the Lord

Coloring Sheet - <u>Printable coloring sheet</u> of Jesus talking to the woman.

Parent Share - What about God's love makes it such a special gift?



BONUS ACTIVITIES

Red Light Green Light - This is a great game for learning patience and self-regulation. Pick someone to be the "traffic light". Start with the "traffic light" at one end of the room and everyone else at the other end. The goal is to be the first person to reach the traffic light.. But you can only move after they say "green light" and you must stop when they say "red light". The first person to get to the traffic light is the winner. Make things a little more challenging by having everyone crab walk, bear crawl or army crawl to the traffic light instead of running or walking.

Story Go Round - Make up a cooperative story by letting each person add one sentence. Start with characters and a simple plot, like "a dog and cat went to the beach," and let the children take it from there. The sillier, the better!