

Jesus Teaches About Giving



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Child's Name _____

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Dear Parent:

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to teach your child. Today we learned that Jesus showed us how many people can be blessed when one person chooses to give. Even though the little boy was probably very hungry, he gave Jesus all that he had to eat. Jesus thanked God for the food and when the disciples began to hand it out, everyone had enough to eat. Many people were happy because one little boy chose to be a cheerful giver. We, too, can help make others happy when we choose to be a cheerful giver.

Goal:

Each child should know that God sent His only Son, Jesus because He loves us.

Scripture:

John 3:16, "God loved us so much that He gave us His Son, Jesus."

Song:

A Little Boy Gives, sung to the tune of **I'm a Little Teapot**. *(Repeat tune.)*

People followed Jesus, heard His Word
Marveled at the things, they saw and heard
One day while listening, it got real late
They remembered they had not yet ate
Many people hungry, what to do?
Helpers went asking, "Do you have food?"
Cheerful little boy gave his lunch real small
Jesus made it so it fed them all

*Cup ears to listen.
Look surprised.
Lay head on hands.
Rub stomach as if hungry.
Shrug shoulders.
Touch a child when asking.
Cup hands to indicate small.
Stretch out hands for plenty.*

Activity Suggestion at Home:

Create opportunities for your child to "give" his/her time. Relate correct behaviors to giving by praising them when "giving" help, patience, obedience, love, comfort, cooperation, smiles, thanks etc. Reward them with stickers for being a cheerful giver. Emphasize that when we give, it not only makes the giver happy but other people as well.

Little children learn through simplicity and repetition. For this reason, we have provided you with the picture on the reverse side of this paper and the words to today's song. We encourage you to use the Bible verse, song, and the picture as a daily reminder of the lesson taught today.