

PARENT FLYER LESSON 6

Lesson Goal: The children learned that God has given us gifts. They also learned that we should use those gifts to help others, that no gift is too small and that when we use our gifts God will bless us with even more.

Main Point: Disciples of Jesus Use Their Gifts to Help Others!

Memory Verse: "In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well." Romans 12:6a (NLT)

Everyone has a gift. God wants us to use our talents and gifts to help other people. Jesus told a parable about using our gifts in Matthew chapter 25. A rich man was about to leave on a long journey. Before leaving, he entrusted his money to three of his servants. To the first servant, he gave five bags of silver. To the second, he gave two bags of silver. To the final servant, he gave one bag of silver. The rich man left and the first servant used the five bags of silver and was able to double the amount by earning five more. The second servant used the two bags of silver and was also able to double the amount by earning two more. However, the third servant buried the one bag of silver in the ground. When the rich man returned, he was very pleased with the first two servants and vowed to give them even more. However, he was furious with the servant who buried the money in the ground and didn't use it. The one bag was taken away from the third servant and given to the first servant. God wants us to use our gifts. If we are faithful and use the gifts God gives us, we will receive even more. However, if we do not use our gifts, they can be taken away.

During the skit, Rock and Scooter had a chance to get into first place in the overall competition. The event they had to win is "curling." Curling is a sport that involves one person sliding a stone across ice, towards a target while a second person sweeps the ice in front of the stone. Scooter didn't know much about curling, but Scooter does have a gift for sweeping. Scooter didn't think that sweeping was much of a gift. However, during the event, Rock slid the stone and Scooter's gift for sweeping gave them a perfect score launching team Steadfast into first place.

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