

# Week 3 (Lessons 5 & 6)

**Song of the Week:** Be Bold (based on Joshua 1:8)

**Memory Verses:**

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength

**Faith Questions:**

**Question 5:** What is the Bible about?

God's plan to save people through Jesus

**Question 6:** What do people need to be saved from? Sin

**Key Words:**

**Lesson 5:** Use Your Gifts

**Lesson 6:** Perseverance

**In Person Gathering:** Friday, July 10 from 9:30-10:00am at St. Paul



## Lesson 5: Gift Bag: Use Your Gifts

**What are you good at doing?** (Running, counting, music, reading, talking, helping)

**Where did you get your ability to do those things?** (Someone taught you/God)

**Something we are given by someone else is a GIFT. Take out your gift bag.**

**If you could be given any gift, what would you like? Would it fit in this bag? What would you do with that gift?**

**Watch Object Lesson Video**

**What "gifts" has God given you? (What talents do you have that you can share with others?)**

**Look up this verse in the Bible: Colossian 3:23-24**

23 Work at everything you do with all your heart. Work as if you were working for the Lord, not for human masters. 24 Work because you know that you will finally receive as a reward what the Lord wants you to have. You are serving the Lord Christ.

**SAY:** A gift can be as simple as giving a hug, listening to someone, washing the dishes, cleaning up when not asked.

**Based on these verses, what should we do with our gifts?**

**How can you use your gifts to serve the Lord.**

**\*\*A side note:** This Bible verse doesn't say just to use our gifts to serve the Lord, but it says we should work as if we're working for the Lord. That means, even if we're not using a gift, we should still have a good attitude. Think about cleaning up your room, or doing laundry or washing dishes. We should do these things for the Lord too.

**Practice our Key Words: "Use your gifts"**

**Pray together:**

If in the morning: Dear God, thank you for the rest we got last night. You always give us what we need—not always what we want. Help us to have a good day today. Be with us as we (insert 1-3 things that you're going to do today). Please be with (insert any concerns for yourselves or others). And please help us use our gifts to serve you. We love you. Amen

If in the evening: Dear God, thank you for today. You are awesome. Thanks for allow us to (insert 1-3 things that you did today) Please be with (insert any concerns for yourselves or others). And please help us to use our gifts to serve you. Watch over us as we wind down our day. We love you. Amen

**CHALLENGE:** Is there a gift you can put in your gift bag and give it to someone else. Maybe it is a card/coupon that says you'd like to use a gift of yours to help that person. Or maybe it is something you made. Or maybe a toy you'd like to give away.

# Lesson 6: Sealed Jar: Perseverance



**What is something that was hard for you to do, but you can do it now?**

(read, tie y our shoes, learn to walk)

**What is something that is still hard for you to do?** (share, ride a bike, add/multiply, write in cursive)

**What do you do when you can't do something?**(ask for help, keep trying)

**Are you thankful and joyful when you can't do something?** The Bible says we should be!

**Look up this verse in the Bible: James 1:2-3**

<sup>2</sup>Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,<sup>3</sup> whenever you face trials of many kinds, <sup>3</sup>because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.

**Say the word "perseverance"**

**Can you spell that word?** I bet if you practiced it a few times you could (but you might have to work hard at it!)

**Watch Object Lesson Video**

Try opening your jar. Was it easy? Maybe your strong!!! Are there other things you have to ask your parents to help you with? PARENTS—are there things you have to ask others to help you with?

**Do you know what perseverance means?** Doing something even though it's difficult or you might have to wait for a reward.

**Is there a tough time you or someone else is facing right now?**

**SAY:** We all face tough times in our life. But everything we work through them, we get stronger. These tough times aren't just physical things like riding a bike or doing math. Sometimes it is when someone isn't nice to us or someone gets sick or dies.

**What should we do when we face tough times?**

**SAY:** Each time we face those situations, God wants us to come to Him. Talk to Him-Pray. It doesn't mean we won't hurt. But He will help us through those times. He might work through your mom or dad, or a friend. And when you work through those tough times—that's perseverance. That makes you stronger. And the next time something happens—you may still hurt, but it will be easier to work through. And who knows, maybe you will come across someone who is hurting or struggling. And you'll be able to help them, because someone helped you.

**GOSPEL CONNECTION: Can you think of how Jesus had perseverance?** Jesus never did anything wrong. And yet people spit on Him beat him. Why did he do this? He did it because he loved us. In being beaten and dying, he took all of our sins away. And then he came back to life. Because our sins are taken away, we can be with God in heaven.

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**PARENTS:** For one more example about perseverance, talked to your kids about calluses. Calluses form on our bodies in places that usually rub a lot. Guitar players get them on their fingers. At first it hurts (and can even bleed) to push the strings down because there aren't calluses. But as players work through the pain, the calluses form, making it easier to play.

**CHALLENGE:** Make and eat something using the stuff in the jar (if you don't like it...maybe this is your way of building Perseverance!)