

Culturally Engaged

Huddle 2: *Being Generous*



SETTING THE ATMOSPHERE

As children arrive, collect the "In" slips and see which grade they are in for their huddle teams. Remember to check all slips to make sure children are to be in Up & Out this hour.

Team Time

Each team leader (student leader) should spend time getting a conversation started within the team to find out more about each child. Spend time today discussing the following questions.

- Talk to your group about sharing.
- What does it mean to be generous?
- Who is someone that you think is generous?
- Read 2 Corinthians 9:11

Huddle Teams

- 1st & 2nd grade girls
- 1st & 2nd grade boys
- 3rd & 4th grade girls
- 3rd & 4th grade boys

Opening Prayer

Leader prays for the group.

LESSON HUDDLE

Let's all come over together and get started this morning. Good morning, Up & Out. Where we look up (pause for the group to respond) **TO GOD** and look out (Pause) **TO OTHERS**.

Who remembers what we talked about last week? (*Pause and let kids share*) We talked about being culturally engaged right? Being culturally engaged is a core value of our church and an important part of how we live as Christians. Does anyone remember what it means to be culturally engaged? *Culturally engaged means caring about the world around us and sharing God with other people in our lives.* Last week we learned about loving others through acts of service. Does anyone have any stories to share about helping others this week? (*You can also share an example of how you helped someone this week*)

Today we're going to learn about loving others by being generous. Being generous is usually a part of serving others. When we're generous, we're giving something for someone else's benefit. There are a lot of different ways to be generous. You can be generous by sharing your toys or maybe a

treat. You can even be generous by sharing your time. Taking your time to help someone is a great way to be generous.

Sharing with others is one way to love others more than we love ourselves. What did we learn when we read 2 Corinthians 9:11? (*Let the kids share some answers*) God loves for us to be generous, and He even helps us to be able to be generous! God is our provider, and He calls for us to take care of others with the resources He gives us. In the verse we learn that when we are generous with those in need, they will thank God.

Being generous is a great way to teach others about who God is and how He loves us. Let's pray that God will help us to have generous hearts!

Huddle Up, Pray, & Break

ACTIVITY: Up & Out Scripture Memorization

Practice saying the Up & Out verses together (Matthew 22:37-39). Discuss how being generous is part of loving our neighbors well.

ACTIVITY: Coupon Giving

Materials:

- White cardstock (1 sheet per child)
- Crayons / markers
- Scissors

Instructions:

Give each child one sheet of cardstock. Have them cut it into 4 squares. Each square is a coupon. Have them come up with and write a different way they can serve someone on each coupon (give a hug, take out the trash, do the dishes, play a game, etc.). Then have them come up with 1 person they would like to give each coupon to and write their name on the coupon. Encourage them to hand out their coupons this coming week.



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