



LESSON 18 SKIT

Principle: Thankfulness and grateful hearts.

Scripture Reference: Exodus 16-17

Character(s): Moses



PERSONAL PREPARATION: Before this weekend, read Exodus 16-17. Spend time focusing on the Israelites' response to God's provision and protection. How does it differ from most of ours today? Do you have a heart of thankfulness or discontentment and complaint? Seek God to help you identify areas in your life where there is more grumbling than praise, repent of this, and pray to have a more thankful heart.



BIG GROUP TIME - 35-40 minutes

1) Run-through/Prayer

Run-through order of service (assigned parts, transitions, slides for music and skit, video if applicable, etc), assign door greeters, pray, mic check

2) Welcome Cabins

Band member says, "Welcome to Camp Grace!" before intro song

3) Intro Song

4) Camp Competition

Toe Strength

Have one camper from each cabin come up to the front. They are competing to see who can stand on their tip-toes the longest. If they come down off their toes, they are out and can go back to their carpet. Add things in like jumping and landing in the tip-toe position or waving their arms like they're flying. The last one standing wins the camp banner.

5) Worship Set

Worship Connector

How many of you can think of lots of things you want? Have you ever complained to your parents about wanting these things? Do you feel thankful for what you have been given? Sometimes it's easy to forget to be thankful for what you have. We do not really deserve anything we have been given, but we have a gracious God who loves us. God desires for us to recognize that He gives us everything we need, and to be thankful for His provision. As we sing this last song, think about how you can thank God and worship Him.

6) Skit

Whining and Complaining (Video)

ProPresenter:

Video

Characters:

Host

Props:

None

Script:

Band exits stage.

Host: It's great to see you guys, today. Recently, some of our staff members took a hike on Mount Whack-A-Mole. They got off the trail and got lost. We sent a group out to look for them, but they had no luck. So, we called on our own Camp Grace Outdoor Guide. A camera crew went along to film the rescue. Let's take a look at the video together.

(Lights go down. Start video.)

Host: Can you believe that? The three staff members were practically starving, but they complained about the water and the food. They are not the only ones, though. The Israelites complained, too. Did you know that after only two months of freedom from a life of slavery in Egypt, they began to complain? They complained about the food. God gave them manna. Manna was so easy. It fell from the sky like rain every morning. All they had to do was gather it up. Scholars think it tasted like pancakes. How great was that? God also gave them meat every night. They had bread every morning and meat every night. That was pretty great! Well, the Israelites complained even more. They began to complain about not having water.

You're going to hear more about his story in your cabins. As you hear this story, ask God to help you recognize the times in your own life when you complain. God wants us to have thankful and grateful hearts. Let's pray.

Father, thank You for the example of the Israelites. Help us to learn from this example today. Teach us to have thankful and grateful hearts. Amen.



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