

ELEMENTARY ACTIVITY GUIDE

CHARACTER TRAIT: THANKFULNESS

FINISH LINE: We can be thankful for what God has done

SCRIPTURE: Luke 17:11-19; Romans 5:6-11

ACTIVITY 1: MEMORY VERSE GAME

SUPPLIES: Dominoes/Legos/Blocks, dry erase marker or sticker to write words on

SET UP: Write a word from this month's memory verse, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, on each object with a dry erase marker or place a sticker on it first to write on.

DIRECTIONS: Unscramble the objects to write out this month's memory verse. After you have laid them out in order, read the verse all together. You can keep practicing by scrambling the words a few times and see if you can put the verse in order faster each time!

MEMORY VERSE: "Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus." **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NLT**

ACTIVITY 2: LESSON REVIEW

SUPPLIES: Strips of colored paper, writing utensils, stapler or tape

DIRECTIONS: Let each person have 2-3 strips of paper. On each strip have them write one thing they are thankful for that God has done. (Examples: God gave you a home. He created a beautiful sunrise. He saved you.) As each person finishes, staple or tape the strips into links and make one long chain. Close by explaining that when we each individually put our faith in Christ, we are linked together by Him because we become part of His family forever. You can keep adding more links in the chain over the coming days. Hang it up somewhere where you will see it so you can be reminded to be thankful for what God has done!

DISCUSS: For those of us who trust in Jesus, why can we be thankful for what He has done? (See Romans 5:6-11.) How can you worship Him and show Him how thankful you are this week?