

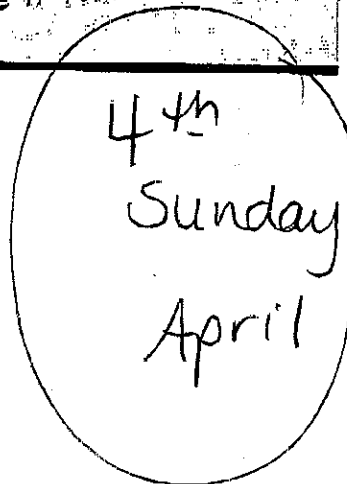


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Tithes And Offerings (Lesson 2)
God's Blessings
by Mike

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LESSON OBJECTIVE

Topics:

Giving, Sacrifice, Tithing, Stewardship, Blessings

This lesson illustrates that by giving to others, God blesses us.
Tithes and Offering (stewardship) series Activity: Build a Church

AS KIDS ARRIVE (10 minutes) See page 3 (included) Answer is "Love"
Give each child a copy of the worksheet "What Am I?" ~~Click here for worksheet~~

OPENING PRAYER AND PRAISES (5 minutes) Further info? [Click Here](#)

MEMORY WORK (10 minutes)

Have the children find **Matthew 6:19-21** in their Bibles. Read the verse together several times. Go around the room and ask children to share their thoughts on the verse; what does it mean to them? How might we apply it to our lives today? Ask the children to read the verse several times during the next week. As an optional homework assignment ask the kids to write Matthew 6:19-21 on one side of the paper and then draw a picture of what the verse means to them on the back. ~~Kid's that return the completed homework the following week, will receive a small token or piece of candy as a reward.~~

SCRIPTURE READING AND DISCUSSION (15 minutes)

Read **Malachi 3:10-12**

Discussion Questions:

1. What does the word tithe mean? (One tenth of what we earn, which is voluntarily given back to God.)
2. What does God ask us to bring into the storehouse? (The whole tithe.)
3. How can we bring our tithes into God's storehouse? (When we give our money to help further God's kingdom. We can give to our local church, missionaries, and the homeless. can you think of others?)
4. At times it may seem hard to give a tenth of what we earn, but God tells us to test Him in tithing. What will God throw open when we obey and tithe? (He will throw open the floodgates of Heaven and pour out so many blessings that we will not have room for it.)
5. What type of blessings may God pour out on us? (Family, friends, health, homes, churches, school, peace and inner joy. The list continues, can you think of other blessings?)

CLASS EXERCISES (10 minutes)**Tight Fisted (Object Talk)** [Click Here](#)

optional - instructions see page 4

ALTERNATE CLASS EXERCISE (10 minutes)**The Little Apple (Story)** [Click Here](#)**APPLICATION (4 minutes)**

God doesn't want us to be selfish or self centered. Real blessings come when we are willing to share what we have with others. Life doesn't consist of the possessions we have, but rather the love we show to others. God has abundant blessings waiting for us, if we will trust and obey Him. God tells us in Matthew 6:19-21 to store up our treasures in heaven. Take a moment this week to read this passage again and then spend a few minutes thinking about this wonderful verse.

NEXT WEEK

Please choose another exciting lesson from Kid's Sunday School Place.

CLOSING PRAYER (2 minutes) [Further info? Click Here](#)

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What Am I?

Instructions: Are you ready for a riddle? Read the questions one at a time. Each question will give you another clue as to what the item is. If you need an additional clue read another question. Write your answer on the back of the paper.

- 1) People have sought me through out the ages.
- 2) Some people have a lot, some a little, but everyone wants more.
- 3) I can not be sold.
- 4) I can not be bought.
- 5) I can be freely given away.
- 6) God talks about me quite often in the Bible.
- 7) Greed destroys me.
- 8) I'm the opposite of hate.

[Click Here For Answer](#)



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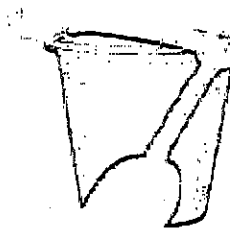
Tight Fisted

by Mike

What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? Mark 8:36

Materials:

Bucket
Small amount of sand



Topics:

Greed, Giving, Tithe, Treasures

Duration:

Approximately 10 minutes

Target Age:

Grades 1 2 3 4 5 6

Preparation:

None

What you will do:

Put the sand into a bucket and then place the bucket on a table in front of the class.

What you will say:

God often tells us in his word, the Bible, that we should be generous to others. We should share our possessions, time and money. Sometimes this can seem hard to do, but when we trust God, we soon find that there is no better way. By obeying God and giving to others, we store treasures up in Heaven. In Matthew 6:19-21 God tells us that where our treasure is, there our heart will be also.

Greed has a way of destroying things, things much more valuable than gold. (Cup your hand and reach into the bucket, fill your hand with sand.) Possessions can be a lot like this sand, if we hold it in an open hand we can hold quite a bit.

(With your hand over the bucket, clench your hand into a fist, the harder you squeeze the sand the faster it leaves your hand) As the sand is running out of your hand say "But, if we try to keep all of our possessions to ourselves they quickly become worthless. Just like this sand, the tighter we try to hold on to things the faster they escape. We may have material things for a season, but a wise saying states that you never see a moving van following a hearse. What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? Mark 8:36. Do not let your possessions possess you, but rather be generous to others when you can.

If time permits allow the children to take turns holding the sand, first in an open hand and then have the kids tighten their hands into a fist to see how the sand runs out.

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