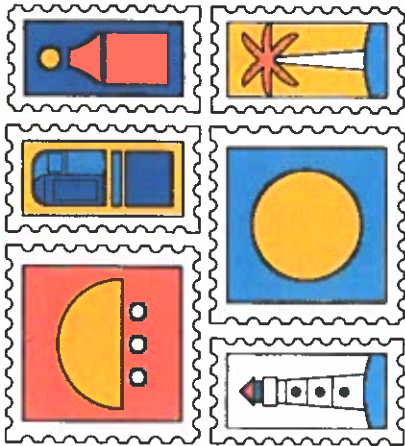


# Special Delivery: No postage required

Generosity is making someone's day by giving something away.



**MEMORY VERSE**

Every good and perfect gift is from God.  
James 1:17a, NIV

### Talk About the Bible Story

Open the Bible together and read 1 John 3:16-18 or watch the video together on the Parent Cue app.

### Engagement Questions

- ▶ **When has someone been generous to you?**
- ▶ Does it inspire you to be generous to others? Why or why not?
- ▶ How can you meet the needs of others this week?

### Faith and Character Activity

Scan the QR code below for activities to guide kids at every phase to trust Jesus in a way that changes how they see God, themselves, and the rest of the world.



### Prayer

"Dear God, thank You for the ways Jesus showed us how to give. Please show us where the needs are in our communities and how we can be generous and help those around us. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

Weekly Parent Cues 

## Preteen

ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



### Morning Time

As your kid starts their day, tell them something about who they are that you consider a gift to you personally.



### Meal Time

At a meal this week, have everyone at the table answer this question: "When has someone been generous to you?"



### Drive Time

While on the go, ask your kid: "Who is someone you know who is generous?"



### Bed Time

Pray for each other: "Jesus, thank You for showing us how to give to others. May we always be willing to share our words or stuff to let others know how much You love them and we do too!"

### More Ways to Engage with Your Kid



### Faith & Character Activities

### Worship Song of the Month



### Download the Parent Cue app

AVAILABLE FOR APPLE AND ANDROID DEVICES



# Journal

Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.



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## Day 1

After watching, write one thing that:

### 1. You liked:

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### 2. You learned:

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### 3. You'd like to know:

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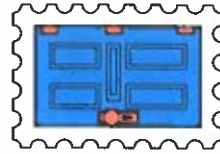
## Day 2

Read 1 John 3:16-18

Without looking at the verse, try to fill in the blanks.

We know what \_\_\_\_\_ is because Jesus Christ gave his \_\_\_\_\_ for us. So we should \_\_\_\_\_ our lives for our brothers and sisters . . . Dear children, don't just \_\_\_\_\_ about love. Put your \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_ . Then it will truly be \_\_\_\_\_ .

"Put your love into action." Real love isn't just a feeling. Jesus' example of sacrifice shows us that real love is action. Jesus lived His whole life for others, giving His time, energy, and compassion to anyone in need. Not only that, but Jesus could have demanded that everyone serve HIM, but instead, He took on the role of a servant and washed His friends' dirty feet. Then He made the greatest demonstration of love in action ever when He gave up His life so that we could have a relationship with God.



## Day 4

When has someone been generous to you?

Think about someone who has been generous to you. Perhaps it was one time—one big act of generosity. Or perhaps it's someone who is always making your day better by giving something away. It might be a generous present on your birthday or just for no reason, or it could be someone who is always giving their time and energy to make sure your day is going well. Do you have a person in mind? Once you do, find a way to say thank you today. You might want to return the generosity with your own action, or simply let the person know how you see their generosity and appreciate it very much.

## Day 3

Being generous is not the easiest thing to do . . . it means giving up something, which—let's be honest—isn't always fun.

However, we have received so much from God that we have much to offer others—and we have God's strength to help us! Pray the prayer below, asking God for help to be generous.

Dear God, thank You for giving us the greatest gift by sending Jesus to be our Savior. Not only did that act of generosity change the world, but Jesus' time on earth also showed us what love in action looks like. I want to be generous like You, giving sacrificially. I want to serve others like Jesus did, using my time and energy to make others' lives better. Please give me a heart of generosity. In Jesus' Name, I pray. Amen.

## Day 5

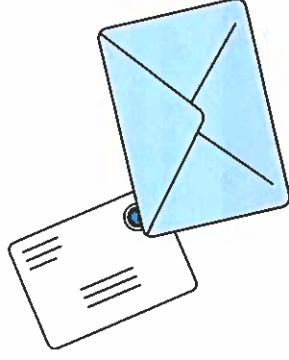
Jesus showed us how to give.

When we talk about how Jesus showed us how to give, we usually think of Jesus giving up His life for us by dying on the cross—and truly, that is THE single greatest gift ever. But Jesus also showed us how to give by the way He lived His life. He devoted His time and energy and compassion to healing others, to teaching them about God, and to meeting any need they had.

We, too, can give up our lives by helping others and being generous with our time, compassion, and resources. The most important thing that we can do every single day is look to Jesus and ask God to help us become more like Jesus. Then, as God shows us the needs of those around us, we need to take action, using whatever resources God has given us to help.

Today, put this plan into action and live out generosity like Jesus!

- Pray for direction
- Look around to see who needs help
- Figure out what would be most helpful
- Use your time, energy, and resources to meet that need



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<b>I</b>	<b>SHE</b>	<b>TRUCK</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>HER</b>	<b>TOENAIL</b>
<b>YOU</b>	<b>TRAMPOLINE</b>	<b>HANDS</b>
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<b>IN</b>	<b>SKIP</b>	<b>LICK</b>
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<b>ON</b>	<b>HIS</b>	<b>NAIL POLISH</b>
<b>OFF</b>	<b>THEIR</b>	<b>TADPOLE</b>
<b>SO</b>	<b>FRIEND</b>	<b>TONGUE</b>
<b>TO</b>	<b>GIRL</b>	<b>EARWAX</b>
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<b>THERE</b>	<b>SLOTH</b>	<b>LAKE</b>
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**What to Do:**  
Print on paper and cut out. Provide one set for each Small Group.

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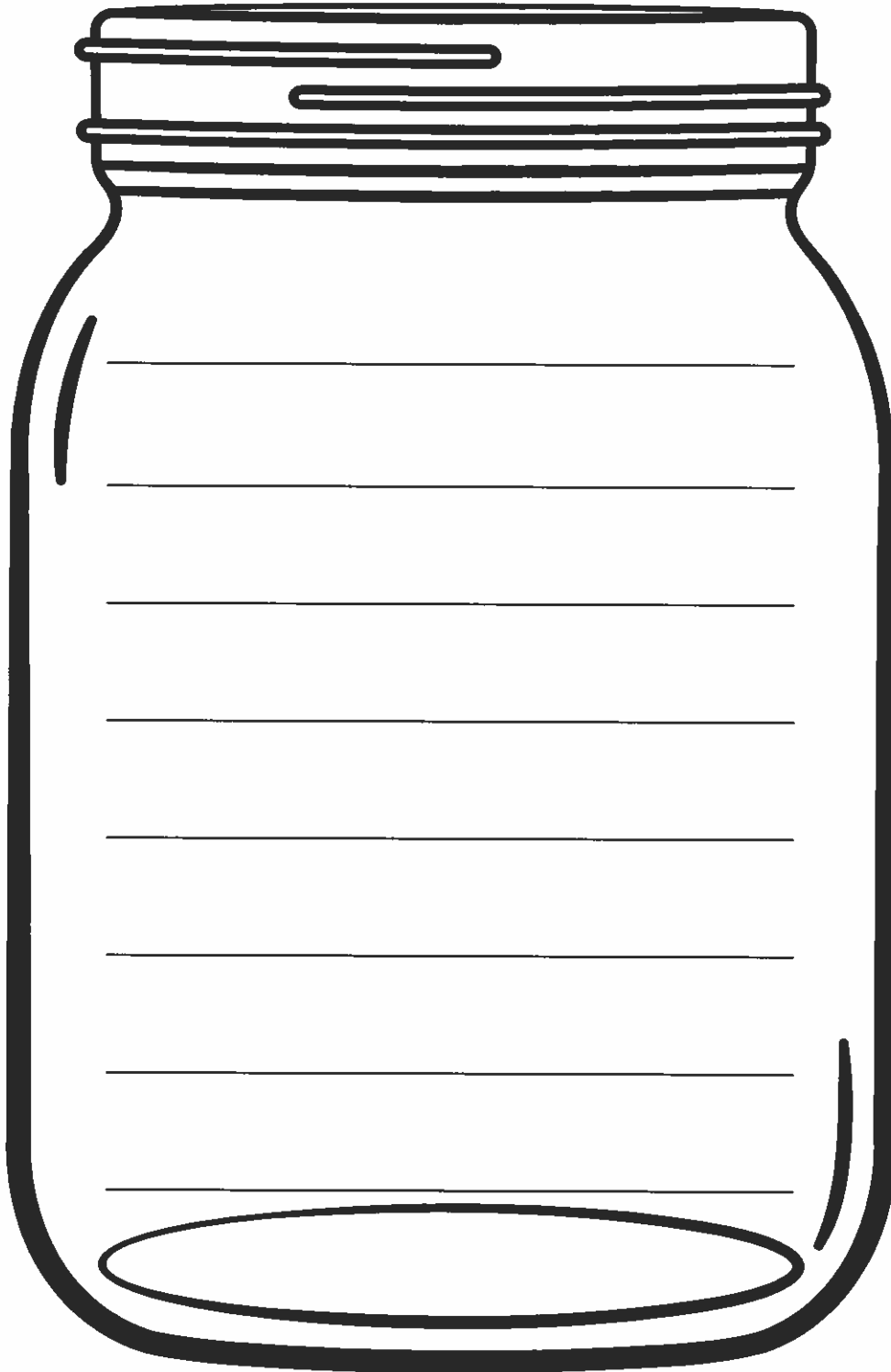
*" . . . Then what you say will help those who listen." – Ephesians 4:29 (NIV)*

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**"Story Tower" Activity Page**  
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# PET PRAYER JAR



## USE YOUR WORDS WISELY

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**"Pet Project Prayers: 4" Activity Page**  
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