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KIDS' WISDOM

Three Things About Thankfulness

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Slide: Welcome

(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)

Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

Slide: Series Intro

We are going to get started with some questions! What does it mean to be thankful? (allow kids to answer). Good job! What are some things you're thankful for in your life? (allow kids to answer). What does a thankful person act like? (allow kids to answer). That's right! What do grumpy people act like? (allow kids to answer). Right, grumpy people act miserable and they aren't very fun to be around.

Well, in today's lesson we are going to learn some important things about thankfulness. And, it isn't based on if you're having a good day or a bad day.

We'll talk about that some more in a few minutes. But first, let's stand and sing a song together.

Song

Song #1

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

Slide: Big Idea

All together:

We can be thankful because God is good. (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- What is the opposite of thankfulness? (grumpiness)
- How can we be thankful instead of grumpy? (we choose to be)

- True or False: We can be thankful because God is good to us. (T)

This is really important to remember. We can choose to be thankful, not grumpy, because God loves us and he is on our side. So, when we have a bad day and we leave our lunch on the school bus or we fail our math test, we can still have a thankful heart. You know why? Because God will help us to get through the hard stuff. We just have to choose to focus on the right things. Instead of focusing on what's wrong with our day, we can focus on all that God has blessed us with in our lives.

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"Enter his gates (march in place) with thanksgiving (hands over heart); go into his courts (march in place) with praise (hands up). Give thanks to him and praise his name (point up)."
Psalm 100:4 (Repeat)

This verse is an awesome reminder that we should be thankful to God for all that he has given us. Remember, God is good to us! Can you guys think of things in your life that God has given you? (allow kids to answer). Those are some really awesome things! God gives us everything we have. He gives us air to breathe, food to eat, people who loves us, and every other thing we have in our lives. God takes care of us and will always give us the things we need.

And, there is one more reason why we can be thankful. God sent Jesus to die for our sins so we can live in heaven with him someday. Now that's awesome! So, kids, remember to choose to be thankful. Don't let a bad day make you grumpy. Focus on all the blessings in your life and trust that God will help you get through the hard stuff. And, remember, God is good!

Now let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

Song #2

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

Slide: Big Idea

We can be thankful because God is good. (Repeat)

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and dismiss.