



SERIES OVERVIEW

When we stop and notice them, we'll see that we are surrounded by helpers who deserve a big thank you for all the ways they help us. They are making the world we live in a better place. When we grow up with eyes that see these helpers and a heart that is grateful, showing thankfulness becomes a happy habit. And no matter how young or grown up you are, a little thankfulness goes a long way.

WEEKLY MAIN POINTS

Week 1: I am thankful for people who help me.

Week 2: I am thankful for people who give me clothes.

WEEK 3: I AM THANKFUL FOR PEOPLE WHO GIVE ME FOOD.

Week 4: I am thankful for people who help me when I'm hurt.

WEEKLY BIBLE STORIES

Week 1: Nehemiah Builds a Wall • Nehemiah 1-6

Week 2: Tabitha • Acts 9:36-39

WEEK 3: ELIJAH AND THE WIDOW • 1 KINGS 17:7-16

Week 4: Good Samaritan • Luke 10:25-37

SEPTEMBER MEMORY VERSE



"Always



give thanks



to God."



Ephesians 5:20

*"Always (stretch your arms out wide)
give thanks (move hand down from chin)
to God." (point both index fingers straight up in the air)
Ephesians 5:20, NCV (open your hands like a book)*

LARGE GROUP

KEY QUESTION

Who are you thankful for?

(I am thankful for people who help me!)

MAIN POINT

I am thankful for people who give me food.

BIBLE STORY

Elijah and the Widow
1 Kings 17:7-16

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- PART 1 -

VIDEO: “Quest Rules Video”

SLIDE: “WCLU Campus Screen Graphic”

STORYTELLER: “Hello friends! I’m so thankful you’re here! Welcome to Quest and welcome to the Wonder! Clubhouse! This month we’re learning how we can be thankful for people who help us!”

STORYTELLER: “Speaking of people who help you, I heard your eGroup leaders helped you learn a secret handshake today! Why don’t you find a friend and show me your awesome secret handshake. Everyone stand up and find a happy helper to help you do your handshake. Do that now.”

Give kids 15 seconds to do the secret handshake with a partner or two.

STORYTELLER: “God gave us people in our lives who help us in many different ways and we need to make sure we give them a big THANK YOU when they do! When I say, ‘Who are you thankful for?’ you say, ‘I am thankful for people who help me!’ Let’s practice! ‘Who are you thankful for?’”

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: “I am thankful for people who help me!”

STORYTELLER: “Great job! We should be thankful for the people who help us and we’re going to sing a new song about being thankful. Are you ready? Everyone stand up and help me sing and dance!”

SONG: “Thankful”

Lead children in singing, “Thankful,” with the hand motions.

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- PART 2 -

STORYTELLER: “Thanks for worshipping with me, friends. Before you have a seat, tell me, **‘Who are you thankful for?’**”

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: **“I am thankful for people who help me!”**

STORYTELLER: “That’s right! God teaches us to be thankful for people who help us, including God Himself! We’re going to learn a Bible verse that’s going to help us remember what God said. Listen to the Bible verse as I say it, then, we will repeat it after me with the hand motions. Listen carefully:

‘Always (stretch your arms out wide) give thanks (move hand down from chin) to God!’ (point both index fingers straight up in the air) Ephesians 5:20” (open hands like a book)

STORYTELLER, THEN CHILDREN: *“Always (stretch your arms out wide) give thanks (move hand down from chin) to God!” (point both index fingers straight up in the air) Ephesians 5:20” (open hands like a book)*

Repeat the memory verse two more times and have kids repeat it after you.

STORYTELLER: “Great job, friends! Let’s say it one more time, **‘Who are you thankful for?’**”

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: **“I am thankful for people who help me!”**

STORYTELLER: “Yes! That’s the truth, friends! Today we’re going to hear a Bible story about a man who gets some help when he was SOOOOO hungry! Let’s check in with Ollie at the Wonder! Clubhouse to learn more.”

VIDEO: “HHCL_LG_WK3”

SLIDE: “WCLU Campus Screen Graphic”

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STORYTELLER: "The woman was a happy helper for making bread for Elijah, and God gave her enough flour and oil to keep making bread. I know Elijah was SO thankful for the help he received from the woman. The same is true for me too!"

STORYTELLER: "Remind me again, 'Who are you thankful for?'"

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: "I am thankful for people who help me!"

STORYTELLER: "The woman gave good to Elijah, and God took care of her too! I am thankful for people who help me. Let's pray."

STORYTELLER: "Heavenly Father, thank You for the woman who chose to help Elijah by giving him food even when she wasn't sure she would have enough. You helped her by providing more flour and oil so she could help Elijah! We are so thankful for people who help us. Thanks for reminding us today that You will help us be happy helpers too. You are awesome, God. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

STORYTELLER: "Now friends, it's time for us to head back to our eGroups where you're going to learn more about how we can all be happy helpers."

SLIDES: "Quest Animal Dismissal Slides"

STORYTELLER: "Where is the _____ (color of Quest Animal eGroup, ie: Purple Parrot) eGroup? You can go ahead and line up with your eGroup Leader at the door and go back to eGroup."

STORYTELLER: "Where is the _____ (color of Quest Animal eGroup, ie: Teal Tiger) eGroup? You can go ahead and line up with your eGroup Leader at the door and go back to eGroup."

Continue until all eGroups are dismissed.