

LESSON DISCUSSION GUIDE

GRADE SCHOOL

Kindergarten to Grade 4

November 25 & 26, 2023 Weekend

MAIN POINT:

God is Faithful; I Can Do What God Asks

MEMORY VERSE:

"The Lord is with me. I will not be afraid. What can mere human beings do to me? Psalm 118:6

BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

The wall around Jerusalem was in ruins, and when Nehemiah heard about it, he was distraught. He asked the king if he could go back and repair it. The king agreed, and even gave him supplies to help with the project. Nehemiah rallied the people, and they completed the wall in fifty-two days, even though their enemies were making fun of them and threatening to attack them.

WATCH IT

Find the lesson video on our website: <u>https://cschurch.ca/childrens-online</u> Search: CSC Children's Ministries on YouTube to find our channel.

DO IT \rightarrow **PRAYER CUBE**

SUPPLIES

- Prayer Cube template (1 per child, see last page)
- Glue or scotch tape
- Scissors
- Pencil crayons, markers or crayons

Activity Instructions:

Print the prayer cube and colour. Cut out the prayer cube and fold all the lines in so the pictures are on the outside. Fold it up and secure each flap with tape or glue

The Point

This prayer cube can assist your child in knowing what to pray for.

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TALK ABOUT IT:

Do this section with your child while they are assembling their craft.

- Nehemiah was following what God wanted him to do when he was building a wall. Sometimes things God asks us to do can seem pretty ordinary. But anything God asks us to do is important! It might be things like being kind to your brother or talking to a kid at school who no one likes. It might be helping your parents with chores or saving your money for an offering project. Has God ever asked you to do something that seemed ordinary? (Discuss)
- 2. When Nehemiah and the people were building the wall, they had issues with their enemies who made fun of them, got angry, and threatened to come and fight them. When we're doing what God asks, God is faithful, which means He will be there with us every step of the way. Can you think of a time when you were doing what God asks and you faced troubles? (Friends made fun of them, someone didn't want to help, didn't have what they needed to do something they were supposed to do, everything was going wrong.)
- 3. When we don't know what to do, we can follow Nehemiah's example and pray! Our craft is a prayer cube. It reminds us of a brick, so it helps us to remember our story of when Nehemiah built the wall, but it also gives us suggestions of what we can pray about. We can look at it and choose the prompt that fits our situation the best, or we can roll it and do whichever prompt it lands on. Take turns rolling their cube and discuss possible answers.

God you are... Please help me... I'm worried about... Thank you for... My friend or family member... I'm sorry for...

FAMILY PRAYER:

Dear God, thank You that You are faithful, and You always do what You say You will do. We know that when You ask us to do something, we should do what You ask, because You are doing something important through it. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

OFFERING:

Our offering project will go to Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child to help with shipping costs of the shoeboxes.

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