

<u>God Created Me to Minister (1 Peter 4:7-11) - Unique for Him</u> February 25, 2024

# **OWNit365 Whole Bible Plan**

# We serve because God says time is short

But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. 1 Peter 4:7

And above all things have fervent love for one another, for 'love will cover a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. *1 Peter 4:8-9* 

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" Matthew 22:36 NKJV

Jesus said to him, "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." *Matthew 22:37 NKJV* 

"This is the first and great commandment." Matthew 22:38 NKJV

And the second is like it: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:39 NKJV

"On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets." Matthew 22:40 NKJV

# We serve to steward God's gifts

As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 1 Peter 4:10 NKJV

Then he who had received the one talent came and said, "Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours." *Matthew 25:24-25* 

But his lord answered and said to him, "You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed. So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest." *Matthew 25:26-27* 

#### We serve to reflect Christ to the world

If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen. 1 Peter 4:11 NKJV

"You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men." *Matthew 5:13 NKJV* 

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." *Matthew* 5:14-16 NKJV

# This week's OWNit365 Whole Bible Plan:

February 26 - Lev 24-25 & Ps 55-58

February 27 - Lev 26 & Ps 59-60

February 28 - Lev 27-Num1 & Ps 61-63

February 29 - Num 2-3 & Ps 64-65

March 1 – Num 4 & Ps 66-67

March 2 - Num 5-6 & Ps 68

March 3 - Reflection & Prayer

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This month, we are learning about Zacchaeus and how Jesus loved him, and that Jesus loves us too!

Memory Verse: "Jesus Loves Us." John 3:16 (Adapted for Toddlers)

**Parent Connect:** This month we have been learning the story of Zacchaeus and how Jesus loved him. We made the connection that Jesus loves us, too! Admire your toddler's coloring sheet and read the story on the back of the sheet to your toddler, Discuss who your family can show love to this week

# JESUS' FOLLOWERS THE FAITH OF JESUS' FOLLOWERS

In this series, we will see how those who followed Jesus had faith! Jesus performed miracles and those who were needing the miracles had faith that Jesus would help! Let's learn from these bible stories on how we can have faith and follow Jesus, too!

**Memory Verse:** Jesus looked at them and said, "With people, this is impossible. But with God, all things are possible. Matthew 19:26 (NirV)

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus Feeds the 5,000 | John 6:5-15, Matthew 14:13-21, Mark 6:31-44, Luke 9:10-17

**Parent Connect:** Today we learned how Jesus turned a little food into enough food to feed 5,000 people! Make a snack with your kid, make sure there is enough to share with everyone in the home!



What makes a Superhero, Super? SuperPowers! And Christians have something inside of them that makes them super! Spiritual Gifts! In this series we will discover that God gives them to us, they are unique and needed, and how we can use ours to serve God, His Church, and Others.

Memory Verse: "A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other." 1 Corinthians 12:7

Heart of the Lesson: God wants me to use my gift. I Peter 4:10-11

**Parent Connect:** We've been talking about spiritual gifts this series. Now it's time to use them. Talk to your kids about where they could use their spiritual gifts by serving in the church, neighborhood, or with a local partner. Then go do it!



As we continue our 2024 theme of One Church this series focuses in on God giving each of us spiritual gifts. We will explore why he made us unique, what spiritual gifts are, and how we can use our gifts to serve him.

Memory Verse: A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. 1 Corinthians 12:7

Heart of the Lesson: God created me to serve – 1 Peter 4:7-11

**Parent Connect:** In small groups, your student learned about a man named Bezalel. Ask your student to tell you who he is and what gift God gave him. (See Exodus 31:1-11)

#### **SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS**

# **UNIQUE FOR HIM**



We are each unique! There is no one else in the world like us. We have unique desires, interests, and skills! We can honor God by using the unique skills He gave us to share the Good News of Jesus! This series, we're learning about the ways God makes each of us unique, and why we should use our uniqueness to share His love with others!

**Memory Verse:** " There are different ways the Spirit works. But the same God is working in all these ways and in all people." 1 Corinthians 12:6 (NIRV)

**Heart of the Lesson:** God Created Me to Minister (1 Peter 4:7-11)

### Parents/Caregivers:

- ∉ What is a way you can use your time more wisely this week?
- ∉ How can you reflect who God is?
- ∉ How can your spiritual gifts help you share the good news of Jesus with others?