

# April 2016

## Week 1 – Janine

To whom shall we show hospitality?

The kids broke up into teams taking turns working in a restaurant, while others were the guests.

We had three children in a group, we called that group ‘the restaurant crew’ one played the role of the host, cook and waiter. The second group consisted of two children whom were the guests. We rotated the teams allowing others to participate.

Without telling ‘the restaurant crew’ the guests had decided what kind of guest they would be – hungry, excited, scared, shy, annoying, grateful or tired. The guest must then act out his/her part while the restaurant crew work together in trying to guess what type of people has come for dinner. The guests were allowed to talk; they just couldn’t give away the answer.

We learned quickly that showing hospitality may sometimes be difficult and working in a team or in this case a restaurant takes organization and serving others should always be done in kindness. We also learned that some things are awkward but that shouldn’t keep us from opening our hearts and talents to those in need.

The children and teachers enjoyed the laughter in the air.

**Luke 14:13-14** But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

## Week 2 – Steve

I shared with the kids about Job and how much God had blessed him, and how he stood through Satan's attacks. At the end God gave him double what he had before. He deep down knew that he had not separated himself from the Lord.

Then I had two of the boys sitting next to each other figure out how they could separate from the other. They replied that they could turn their back on the other one; or could put up a barrier; or even walk away from each other.

Then, I shared Romans chapter 8 at the end, how nothing can ever separate us from the love of God..... We might feel He is not nearby, but He really always is. Nothing can stop His love from reaching us....no power, being or position. He is trust worthy always

Then, we shared questions on any biblical concepts or confusion they kids had on any belief or about God Himself. That was great.

Afterwards, we colored some printed up papers of various spring flowers and vases. They really enjoy coloring together. Then a quick game of silent ball till the parents arrived.

### *Week 3 – Melissa*

Melissa taught on positive thinking and attitude!!! The story of the little boy who said he was the greatest hitter in the world and when he struck out after throwing the ball to himself ,,,"He boldly exclaimed!!!

Wow, I'm the greatest pitcher in the world!"

Having a good mental attitude matters at all ages...what should we focus on?

**Colossians 3:1-2** says "since then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above not on earthly things"

### *Week 4 – Anna*

Theme: Chosen

Project: Grab Bag Art

Memory verse: 1 Peter 2:9

**1 Peter 2:9** (NIV) But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God' s special possession, you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Chosen = Selected from several, preferred, picked from preference, to want; desire.

Selected = To make a choice.

Preferred = to give priority.

Picked = Seek out, act of choosing.

To want = Desire.

Desire = To wish or long for.

Do you know that God has selected you?

That He wants you?

He chose you?

He seeks you out? (To go after you)

That he desires you? (To want)

And he longs for you?

But you are selected, anointed with the Holy Spirit and set apart. You are distinct among others. Announce your admiration of him who took you out of evil into truth.