

## 6. GIVING

☺ **SING:** Song which focuses on others e.g.  
JP 275 When I needed a neighbour,  
were you there?

**PRAYER:** Thank you that we can all gather together tonight for our C.E. meeting. Please help us to do well as we take part and so please you.



☺ **BIBLE READING:** Matthew 25 : 34-46

**DISCUSS:** Talk about the Bible verses. Have you ever thought that when you help someone you are helping Jesus? Look at examples in the Bible passage. Encourage the children to give suggestions and express their views on the passage.

☺ **CHAIN PRAYER:** Use ideas from the Junior who has prepared and perhaps ideas about giving and helping others more needy than ourselves.

**PRAISE SONGS:** Led by the Junior, with percussion where appropriate.

☺ **QUIZ:** Divide into two teams and give each team a Bible verse jigsaw (prepared by Junior). You can make this a contest by seeing who finishes first with their jigsaw. When both teams are complete, praise effort and read the verses collectively. Change over jigsaws and repeat the procedure.

**MEMORY VERSES:** Repeat the jigsaw verses together until committed to memory. (This is not done much in schools now but it is worth it! ) Let the boys say it, the girls say it, those wearing red say it, sit on the floor and say it, stand up, etc.

☞ **OFFERING:** Explain that we can give money to help others. We have enough to give away gladly. You may decide to suggest a project for your first offering, or, explain that the Group will collect weekly and decide how best to use the money on the group/ committee night. Every week from now on the Juniors will be encouraged to bring a gift of money.

☞ **JUNIOR COLLECTS OFFERING:** Using the word “offering” shows that we are giving gladly to Jesus. It is not just a “collection” of money!

**PRAYER:** Thank you that you have given us so many good things. We thank you that now we can give back to You some of what we have. Help us to use our money wisely. Amen.

☞ **MAKING GIFTS:** As you make your gifts, think about the person you are going to give them to.

☺ **SING:** Sing a song of gratefulness and thanks, or thinking of others e.g.  
JP 95 If you see someone lying in the road.

**PRAYER:** Thank you God for the happy time we have had tonight. Help us to enjoy giving to others. Please be with us as we travel home. Amen.

## **FOR NEXT WEEK**

Ask Juniors to prepare

- Chain Prayer
- Songs (See week 3)
- **Sword Drill** - A Junior can look up and mark these verses for next week. They are all confessing/forgive/saying sorry verses.

Matthew 6 : 12

James 5 : 16

1 John 1 : 9

Mark 11 : 25

Matthew 6 : 15

Luke 23 : 34

- 🗉 **Offering** - This Junior will collect the offering and then give a short prayer of thanks.
- **Quiz** - Decide if you will use two or three of the passages below for the quiz and drama, and which ones they will be. An adult for each group would be advisable. **Prepare 6**
- **statements about the passage requiring a 'True' or 'False' answer.**

Junior 1 - Acts 12 : 4-17

Junior 2 - 1 Samuel 1 : 9-18, 26-28

Junior 3 - Luke 17 : 11-19

Peter is prayed for

Hannah asks for a son

One leper gives thanks

### **Leader's preparation**

- a) Write on two or three cards the above passages to be given to the groups next week for the drama.
- b) Write on two cards (about A5 size) in bold print "true" and "false".