

Theme: Generosity

Book: Six Dinner Sid by Inga Moore



Reflection on last week's faith in action, with the families.

What was last week's action?

How did that make you feel?

Why did that make a difference?

Inspiration ...

Biblical References:

Mark 6:31-44; Matthew 14:13-21; Luke 9:10-17 and John 6:1-15

Feeding of the five thousand

Proverbs 11:24-25

'One person gives more freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.'

• **SNACK TIME**

A selection of 6 different snacks to represent the meals

• **SONGS**

Use musical instruments

I'm a little teapot

Three Little Kittens

Magic Penny (lyrics:

<http://people.wku.edu/charles.smith/MALVINA/mr101.htm>

Additional resources:

A re-telling of the story on Youtube

<https://youtu.be/BAIjbQCQ8i4>

Theme Introduction:

The Bible says: 'Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you'. Generosity is a willingness to give to others what is ours, this can be sacrificial giving of time, belongings or finances. Many toddlers will find giving to others tricky. Yet older children can fully understand this concept and can be helped to pick up this idea when adults model it.

Theme exploration:

In the Bible story, feeding of the five thousand, it was Jesus who performed the miracle so that everyone could be fed. However, without that one small child offering his lunch to Jesus, those gathered on that day may have gone hungry. That little boy (I wonder what he was called) was very generous, he gave what little he had and Jesus made that generosity overflow to feed many more people.

Free play suggestion:

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- Kitchen area to make food and encourage the children to share what they have made.

I wonder what are your six favourite meals.

I wonder where are you six favourite places to eat.

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- Vet area – first aid kit and soft toys.

Craft ideas:

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- Make tissue paper flowers (or picture of flowers) to give away.
- Make Bird feeders.

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- Make paper plate dinners.
- Laminate coloured A4 sheet as a placemat.

I wonder who do you know who is generous.



Prayer time

Loving God, we ask that you help us to be generous with everything we have as you have been generous to us. Amen.

Faith in action:

How could you be generous this week? Possible ideas: donation to the Foodbank or raise awareness of a different charity, make a card, a meal for someone who may be lonely or spend time talking to a single person.