



# WEEK 2

## AT HOME LESSON



### **BIG IDEA**

God uses my gifts to help others.

### **THE BIBLE**

The Body of Christ: I Corinthians 12:12-31

#### **MUSIC** | Celebrate and Worship

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Sing some worship songs with your whole family!

#### **ACTIVITY** | Human Lego™ Set

- Welcome back! Last week, we learned about some of the gifts God has given us. Today, we'll discover why God gave us these gifts. Our gifts are for helping others. Our gifts make us all part of one big team, like one body.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Fill a box with pieces of paper with animal names written on them. Tell one family member to pull a name out of the box. They should share the animal name with everyone. Work together to represent that animal, using your bodies. One person can be the head, two can be a leg or wing, one can be the tail, etc. Take turns drawing animals and forming the animal as a family! (Bonus: Share pictures with Pastor Robin!)
- Does anyone like getting gifts that you put together, like Legos? They're fun to build, as long as you aren't missing any pieces! Every piece is important, right?
- Just like our activity today, sometimes our gifts work better together to help other people!

#### **QUESTION** | Who Has Ever Been Part of a Team?

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Call on kids who raise their hands and ask the following questions.
  - **PRETEEN HACK:** Ask preteens to pretend they can create any team they want. What kind of team is it? Then give them a large poster and have them design their team uniform/jersey.
- What kind of team have you been on?
- What position or role were you in?



- **Did everyone on the team do the exact same thing? What if you had a sports team where everyone played the same position? Or if everyone was captain? Would that team be any good?**
- Everyone on a team does their part. When the team wins, everyone on the team wins!

### VIDEO | Unboxed, Lesson 2

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Play this week's teaching video with Pastor Robin and Mr. Harrison!*

### SCRIPTURE | I Corinthians 12:12-31

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Read the passage with your kids. You can further discuss with them what it means with something like this:*
  - **SPECIAL NEEDS HACK:** *Many children with special needs are tactile and visual learners. They struggle with listening for long periods of time, without being distracted and losing focus. Give the child a picture of a person with removable Velcro body parts to hold and manipulate during the Bible Story. You can also have a larger version of this to display for all of the children as you are telling the story.*
- Back when the church just started, right after Jesus went to heaven, some people were fighting over who was better — or whose gifts were better. But God doesn't want us to compare gifts. God gave us all different gifts so that we could work together to help others.
- To help us understand, the Bible tells us to look at our own body. We are each made out of many parts. Arms and legs, heart, brain, stomach. But all of these parts are still part of one body. That's how it is with Jesus. We are all different parts of one body, the "body of Christ."
- Now, imagine that your whole body was just one big eyeball? How would you hear? How would you smell things? God put every part of our bodies exactly where they should be, and God puts all of us where we should be. And every part matters!
- Just like all your body parts need each other, we all need each other, too. God made us all with gifts. **Why does God give us gifts?** That's right! So we can help other people!

### RESPONSE | Re-Gift List

- I know we just had the holiday season a few weeks ago, but it's time to make another gift list! This time, though, we're making a list of gifts you have to give others.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Tell the kids to write out the gifts they have that they can use to help others. Instruct them to draw pictures of how they will use their gifts.*
  - **SPECIAL NEEDS HACK:** *First, give the kids some examples of gifts that they could have, and help them choose some that fit their character. Secondly, help them write the gifts on the paper given to them. If they would like to illustrate one of his gifts, offer support in this area.*
  - **PRETEEN HACK:** *See if you can go around and have preteens share 1-2 things that they see someone else in your family being gifted with.*



- What gifts, or special abilities, do you think God gave you? Do you help your friends with homework? Cheer them up when they're feeling sad? Do you tell others Jesus loves them? Do you give generously? Do you pray for people?
- Encourage your child to share this reflection (or the "Sketch A Scene" Activity) with Pastor Robin and others at JCBC by posting a picture or video on Facebook (@jcbckids) or Instagram (@jcbckids), emailing Pastor Robin (rpriddy@jcbc.org), or mailing a card or picture to the JCBC offices (6910 McGinnis Ferry Road, Alpharetta, GA 30005)!

### REFLECTION | Sketch a Scene

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Give each kid a picture frame printable. Encourage the kids to think about a time when someone else helped them. Maybe it was their mom or dad, a brother or sister, a friend, or a teacher. Tell them to draw a picture to show how someone else helped them.
  - **SPECIAL NEEDS HACK:** Modeling is a powerful instructional tool for all kids, especially those with special needs. Give a specific time when someone else helped you in your own life. Have a picture already drawn as a worked example for the kids to see so that they will know what your expectation is, and can refer to it throughout the activity. Your sample picture should be clear and simple.
  - **PRETEEN HACK:** Have students pair into groups of 2-3 and have them sketch out a scene together where they are combining each of their unique gifts. Encourage them to share a scenario where God might use all of their gifts together!
- God uses our gifts to help others, and God also uses other people's gifts to help us.
- Remember how we are all parts of the same body? We all need each other. God designed us to work together and help each other out.

### DISCUSSION

- **How are we connected as one body?**
- **What are some of the gifts, or roles, God gives us in this week's story?**
- **What is the most important part of the body of Jesus? (Trick question!)**
- **Read 1 Corinthians 12:25-26. In your own words, what does this Bible verse mean?**
- **Why do you think it's important for us to get together like we do at church?**
- **Can any part of the body work by itself without being connected to the rest of the body?**
- **How will you use your gifts to help others this week?**

### MEMORY VERSE | Dry Erase on Mirrors!

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Remind your child of this month's memory verse: 1 Peter 4:10. Encourage them to write the verse on their bathroom mirror with a dry erase marker. Practice saying it each time you brush your teeth or wash your hands. Each day, erase one word from the memory verse and practice saying it from memory!

### PRAYER



## UNBOXED | WEEK 2 ELEMENTARY AT HOME LESSON

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- God, thank You again for the amazing gifts You have given us. We love getting gifts, but it is so fun to be able to give gifts to our friends, too! Help us to use our gifts and for us to be able to see who needs our gifts. Thank You for all the people who have helped me with their gifts and thank You for the gift of Jesus!

Someone helped me when . . .

