

Hello 2ND and 3RD Grade Parents!

OUR THEME FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER IS:



I'm very excited to focus on thankfulness this month! God is faithful, true and good. I have so much to be grateful for. Your family is one of the many blessings in my life, and I am so thankful for the honor of serving you and your child(ren).

Here is everything you need for your family HCKids at home activities. Just follow the directions on the Parent Guide (next page) for any of the things you and your child(ren) are interested in doing. Also included in this document is the link to the Bible Video. At the end of the document you will find the "God Time" pages for your child(ren) to be able to do a daily devotional throughout the week.

Please be sure to connect with NexGen through our monthly "Spiritual Discipleship Boxes". If you are unable to attend the monthly event, you can pick up your box at church or we can deliver it to your door. Just let me know what you'd like to do!

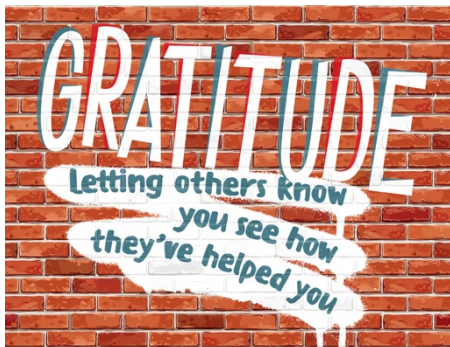
Praying you all are well, safe, growing in faith and thankfulness, and having fun during our time apart! Please reach out if you need anything at all.

Have a Great Month of Gratitude!

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NOVEMBER'S LIFE APPLICATION:



THIS MONTH'S MEMORY VERSE:



TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE:



WEEK OF
November 8, 2020

Shout Out: Let 'em Know You're Thankful

PARENT GUIDE
Elementary



First, watch
this week's
video!

Gratitude:
Letting others
know you see
how they've
helped you

Memory Verse

Give thanks to
the Lord, because
he is good. His
faithful love
continues forever.
Psalm 136:1, NIV

Bible Story

David Dances
2 Samuel 6:12b-22a

Bottom Line

Celebrate what
God has done.

Use this guide to help your family learn how
God wants us to be grateful.

Activity

Create Your Own Holiday

WHAT YOU NEED:

Paper and writing utensil

WHAT YOU DO:

Tell your child that the two of you are going to create your own holiday. Ask your child the following questions, and write down their answers.

- What is the name of your holiday celebration?
- What does your holiday celebrate?
- What date is your holiday?
- What are the holiday's colors?
- What do people eat on your holiday?
- What do people do to celebrate on your holiday? Do they go anywhere? Do they wear anything special? Is there special music?

Say, "I think your holiday sounds awesome. Holidays are fun because they give us a reason to celebrate the things and people that are most important to us."



Talk About the Bible Story

David was so grateful for what God had done that he couldn't keep from celebrating. What is something you can celebrate with that kind of excitement?

What do you think David might have been saying while he was dancing? (*"Thank you, God! You are a good God! You are awesome, amazing, and wonderful!"*)

David's wife Michal was clearly not as excited as David when the ark was returned to Jerusalem. What makes some people more grateful than others? (*The way they choose to see things*)

What are some things we can celebrate about God no matter what is happening in our lives? (*He loves us; He sent us Jesus; He hears us when we talk to Him.*)

Parent: Share a few ways you celebrate God when times are good, and when times are not as good.



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, You are worthy of our greatest expression of gratitude and our most joyful celebration. We praise You for what You have done in the past, and we look forward to all You will do in the future. We thank You for sending us Jesus. We know that we always have something to celebrate when we follow Him. In Jesus' name, amen."

Gratitude means letting others know you see how they've helped you.

WEEK
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DAY 1

Read Psalm 9:1

This month we're learning about gratitude—letting others know you see how they've helped you. Guess who we sometimes forget to say "Thank You" to? God! Because we can't see God face to face, we can easily forget all He's done for us. But if we stop to think about it, everything comes from God. He is the maker of heaven and earth. There is no one who deserves more honor and recognition and gratitude than God.

Today's verse reminds us to tell others about all the wonderful things God has done! Here's an easy way to practice this. The next time you sit down to eat a meal with your family, ask the following question: **What would you like to thank God for today?** Go around the table and let each member of your family share their answer. Then, bow your head and **thank God for the food** you're about to eat and the family members around your table!

DAY 2

Read Psalm 106:1-2

God has given us so many good things.

God gives us good things because He is good. There is no bad in Him. He is completely loving, kind, honest, trustworthy, and righteous. He doesn't mess up, fly off the handle, say things He doesn't mean or do anything by accident. God is perfect. And He loves us perfectly. That's why it's important for us to show God our gratitude and celebrate what He's done every day.

Grab your "Gratitude List" from last week or start a fresh list today. Write down five things you want to thank God for under Week 2. You can list things you love about God or thank Him for five things He's done. **And if you come up with more than five, even better!**

*Celebrate what
God has done.*

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DAY 3

Read Colossians 2:6-7

Root Facts (unscramble the words below)

Roots have _____. These root hairs pull
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in water and nutrients.

There are two main types of roots: taproots and fibrous roots. A taproot is long and thick, pointing straight down. Plants with taproots include _____ and dandelions.

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Fibrous roots are made up of many small roots, all around the same size. The _____ in a park or your

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backyard has fibrous roots. Some roots are edible (which means you can eat them!). Some examples are turnips, radishes and _____.

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Roots are important. Plants cannot survive without them. They hold the plant in the ground to keep it standing tall and they pull in water and food from the soil. Roots also store food for the plant.

We have roots too! For those of us who trust and follow Jesus, He is our strong foundation. And just like healthy roots make for healthy plants, as you learn more about Jesus and trust Him each day, you'll grow stronger in your faith and become more and more thankful!

DAY 4

Read Hebrews 13:15

When you hang out with your friends, what do you talk about? Make a list below:

We talk to our friends about silly and serious things. Most of the time, we don't even remember what we talk about.

Did you know you can talk to your friends about God? You can talk about a verse you've read or tell them about a cool activity you did with your small group at church. You can also show your friends who God is with your actions. You can treat them the way you want to be treated.

The more we talk about our faith and the more we follow Jesus with our actions, the more we show God how grateful we are for all He's given us. God loves it when we talk about Him and celebrate what He's done.

So here's a little "Show or Tell Challenge." This week, try to "tell" someone or "show" someone what you love about God with your words or actions. **Ask God to help you be brave so that you can help others see how much God loves them too.**