



KIDTOWN GUIDE

Preschool

DATE: 1/24/21

SCRIPTURE: James 1-2

LESSON: Doers of the Word



INTRO

Say - The last few weeks have showed us how to live like Jesus. Today we will be reminded how important it is to not only *listen* to what God says, but to *do* it!

Echo Clap a Rhythm- Form a circle on the floor. Clap out a simple rhythm (1-2-3-4) and guide the group to copy you. Repeat using different clapping rhythms, incorporating finger snaps, pats on your knees, and rests as time allows.

Say - Thank you for clapping with me. You had to listen carefully and do what I did. In today's Bible story, a leader in the early church named James wrote to believers. James told believers to do what God says. Listen to the story to hear what else James had to say.



LESSON - DOERS OF THE WORD

Watch the Gospel Project Bible video: <u>Doers of the Word</u>

Story Point #1: (Kids repeat!)

Don't just <u>listen</u> to what God's Word says, <u>do</u> what it says! (Kids repeat!) We've been talking about how to live like Jesus the past few weeks! James reminds today that we need to DO what God's Word says and not just listen to it. We can hear God's Word at home or in Kidtown, but James says: "If you hear God's word but don't do it, you trick yourselves." We want to listen to God and then obey! One way we can do that is by loving people. God tells us to love those around us. If we really love God and what He says, we will love everyone and take care of them.

Christ Connection! (Kids repeat!)

When we trust in Jesus we can do what is good and right! (Kids repeat!)

We will always need God's help when it comes to how we live. The great thing is, He always wants to help us. When He tells us to love our friends, He will help us do that. He showed us the way to live when He lived on earth and died on the cross for us! He loved us so much and showed us how to love others. Jesus prayed for people, healed people and cared for people"s needs. James 14:23 says, ""If anyone loves me, he will He keep my word" How can we keep His Word and love our friends this week?







Sing: <u>Life and Godliness</u> (Key Passage Song)

Good Good Father

Pray: God, help us to obey your Word. Show us people we can love this week the

way that You have loved us! Amen.

Discuss:

- James wrote that people who really love God will also love whom? (other people)

- Is it enough for us to just listen to God's Word? (No, we need to also dot what it says!)

- What can you do to show someone you love them this week?

- Allow time for questions and if you don't know the answers, that's okay. Affirm their question and let them know that you don't know but will try to find out.

- If you have any questions you are really stumped on, feel free to email us at hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com



BONUS ACTIVITIES

Coloring Sheet - Printable Coloring Sheet

Helping Game - Place all the items listed in the margin in a pillow case. Form a circle. Invite a preschooler to reach into the bag, feel for an item, and then take the item out. Guide the group to name different ways the item could be used to help those in need. Offer suggestions as needed. Repeat with each item. (Items: Can of food, Greeting Card, Money, Bible, Blanket, Kids Shirt)

Say - James wrote, "If someone is cold and hungry and you say, 'Go in peace, stay warm and full,' but you do not give him clothes or food, what good does that do?" James reminded believers to do what Jesus said. We know someone has true faith by what he does. Jesus takes our punishment for sin so we can live for Him. When we trust in Jesus, we can do what is good and right.