

Dear Parent:

For the next four weeks your child will be learning that Jesus wants us to be helpers and that helping others makes Jesus happy. Through songs, action rhymes, learning activities and Bible stories your child will be encouraged to help others. This is the lesson titles and Scriptures we will be studying:

The Samaritan Man is a Helper – We can help like the Samaritan (Luke 10:30-37)

Timothy is a Helper – We can help like Timothy (2 Timothy 1:5; 3:15)

Peter is Jesus' Helper – We can help like Peter (Acts 3)

I Know I Can Be Jesus' Helper – We can help Jesus (review of previous lessons)

Young children learn best through repetition. If you are able, please read the relevant Bible verses to them in the coming weeks. Jesus wants us all to be helpers, and He is pleased when we help.

At some time during the month, please plan to do something special for an elderly person, relative, or neighbour. Perhaps you and your child could bake cookies, take some fresh fruit, visit the person and/or take some flowers. Your child could also scribble-color a picture or card for that person. As you work together on helping someone, talk about how both of you are helping that person by doing something special. You are making the person happy with your gift and time. You can remind your child – We can help like Timothy, Peter, Jesus, and the Samaritan. I know you can be Jesus' helper!

Here are other ways to reinforce what your child is learning:

- Look for ways your child can help at home – dusting furniture, picking up toys and clothing, folding laundry, putting away cutlery, etc. Remind them that they are helping just like Jesus.
- Point out when he/she is helping you at home. Give sincere, specific praise for your child's efforts. Encourage and thank them.
- Do this action rhyme with your child this month

I Want to Help

I want to help in every way!
With ears, eyes, and mouth, (point to each)
With feet, (bend down and touch feet)
And hands (clap hands)
I want to help today!

- Dorothy Fay Richards

Have a blessed month enjoying your little helper!