



BIG IDEA

Jesus brings justice.

GOD STORY

Jesus Clears the Temple (Mark 11:15–19)

KEY VERSE

We know what love is because Jesus Christ gave his life for us. (1 John 3:16a, NIRV)

1 | Conversation Starter

SUPPLIES

- None

INSTRUCTIONS

- To lead into today's story, ask:
 - What was the nicest thing that someone did for you this week?
 - Did you do anything nice for someone? If so, what did you do?

2 | Watch

SUPPLIES

- Media player

INSTRUCTIONS

- Introduce today's Big Idea: **Jesus brings justice.**
- Watch this week's video from the Now Playing Kids playlist on the One Story YouTube channel.

3 | Discuss

SUPPLIES

- None

INSTRUCTIONS

- Review the video teaching together:
 - Did anything stand out to you in today's Life Story?
 - What stood out to you in the God Story?
 - How do these stories connect with each other and with the Big Idea that **Jesus brings justice?**

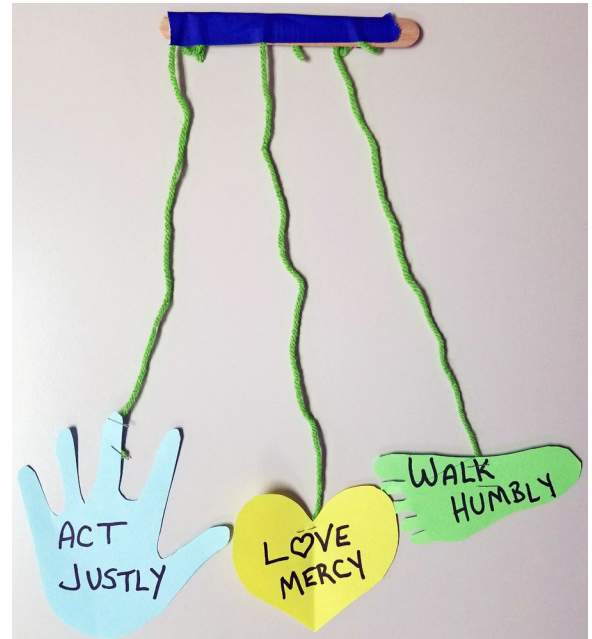
4 | Activity

SUPPLIES

- Bibles
- Hand cutouts
- Heart cutouts
- Feet cutouts
- Writing/drawing supplies
- Large craft sticks
- Yarn
- Stapler
- Tape

INSTRUCTIONS

- Discuss:
 - Have you ever seen someone treated unfairly? What happened?
 - Did you do anything to stop it? If so, what did you do? If not, what are some ways you could help stop something similar in the future?
 - How would you explain justice to a friend?
 - How did we see Jesus bring justice in today's story?
 - What are some ways we can bring justice to the people around us?
- Show the kids how to find Micah 6:8 in the Bible.
- Read the verse out loud.
- Chat about what this verse means.
- Emphasize that Jesus helps us see what it looks like to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly.
- Give cutouts of a hand, a heart, and a foot to each person.
- Place the writing/drawing supplies where they can be shared.
- Guide the kids to write "Act justly" on the hands, "Love mercy" on the hearts, and "Walk humbly" on the feet. They could also draw pictures.
- Give each person three lengths of yarn and a craft stick.
- Help the kids staple one piece of yarn to each of their cutouts.
- Guide them to tape the yarn to their craft sticks.
- Encourage the kids to display their crafts!



5 | Key Verse & Pray

SUPPLIES

- Key Verse sign

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the Key Verse out loud together.
- Discuss: People tend not to think about love and justice at the same time. How does this verse show that they're connected?
- Explain that **Jesus brings justice** by helping others. He sacrificed his life for us in the ultimate act of help! We can give our lives for others and show them love by helping them.
- Direct everyone to think of a friend or a family member for whom they want to pray.
- Invite the kids to speak their individual prayers softly together. Encourage them to pray:
 - for any specific needs this person may have;
 - that this person would be open to God and become a follower of Jesus if not already;
 - and that God would use the kids to reach their friends and family members!