Living Like Jesus: Giving to Others Through the Eyes of a Child



Explore how children can model Jesus' love through giving, learning generosity, kindness, and selflessness daily.





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Introduction

Welcome to this 7-day Bible study plan focused on **Children** and their role in *giving to others like Jesus did*. Children often possess a purity of heart and a natural openness that we adults can learn from. Jesus Himself valued the faith and generosity of children, reminding us that they are not only recipients of God's love but also wonderful examples of how we can give to others.

In this study, we will explore scriptures that emphasize **generosity, kindness**, **and selflessness**, showcasing how even the smallest act of giving can mirror Jesus' heart. From the story of the boy with five loaves and two fish to teachings about loving our neighbors, these passages will inspire children and adults alike to live out God's calling to give joyfully.

Throughout this journey, you will be challenged to reflect on your own heart, your actions, and how you can make a difference in the lives of others—just as Jesus did. Let God transform your understanding of generosity, not as a duty, but as a joyful response to His love. Whether you are a child or guiding one, this Bible study plan will help nurture a generous spirit that glorifies God through love. 💸 🙏

















Day 1: 7 Starting with a Child's Heart

Your Verse

Matthew 19:14 - Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me..."

Supporting Scriptures

- Mark 10:15 "Anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it."
- Luke 18:16 "Don't stop the children from coming to me..."







Day 1: 7 Starting with a Child's Heart

Devotional: Embracing the Childlike Heart of Giving

Jesus valued children deeply. In Matthew 19:14, He told His followers to let children come to Him because they belong in God's kingdom. This passage reminds us that children have a special place in God's heart and they demonstrate qualities that we need to embrace—trust, humility, and openness.

When it comes to giving, children often give with pure delight—whether it's sharing a toy or comforting a friend. Jesus points us toward the simplicity of a child's heart, which can be filled with generosity and kindness without expecting anything in return.

How can we begin to give like Jesus? By embracing the attitude of a child—trusting God's provision and eagerly sharing what we have, no matter how small. This can mean giving our time, a kind word, or a simple gift from our heart.

As you enter this study, allow your heart to become like a child's—open, loving, and ready to give.







Day 1: 🎖 Starting with a Child's Heart

Reflect and Apply

1.	What does Jesus' invitation to children tell us about how He values generosity?
2.	In what ways can a child's simple acts of giving teach adults about kindness?
3.	How can you cultivate more trust in God as you give to others this week?







Day 1: 🎖 Starting with a Child's Heart

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you shared something and felt joyful doing it.
2.	List three ways you can show kindness to others like a child would.
3.	Reflect on how trusting God helps you give without fear or hesitation.







Day 1: 🍞 Starting with a Child's Heart

Prayer for Today

Dear Lord, thank You for welcoming me like a child and teaching me to trust You completely. Help me to have a heart full of generosity and joy when giving to others. Teach me to give with the same love and kindness that Jesus showed. May I always remember that no gift is too small when given with love. In Jesus' name, *Amen.* \bigwedge \heartsuit









Day 2: Sharing What We Have









Your Verse

John 6:9–11 – The boy's five loaves and two fish blessed by Jesus fed thousands.

Supporting Scriptures

- Luke 21:1-4 The widow's offering valued by Jesus.
- Acts 20:35 "It is more blessed to give than to receive."







Day 2: O Sharing What We Have

Devotional: Offering Small Gifts with Big Faith

One of the most inspiring stories about giving is found in John 6, where a young boy offers five barley loaves and two small fish. Though it seemed little, Jesus used this gift to feed thousands. This teaches us that no gift is too small when it is offered with faith and love.

Like the boy, children and adults can learn that God can multiply our giving in ways we cannot imagine. **It's not about how much we give, but the heart behind it.** The widow in Luke's gospel gave two small coins, but Jesus said she gave more than everyone else because she gave all she had. True generosity is about sacrifice and trust.

As you reflect today, consider what simple gifts you can offer to God and others. Trust that He will use your giving powerfully, just as He did with the boy's lunch.







Reflect and Apply

1.	What can we learn from the boy's willingness to share his small lunch?
2.	How does God multiply our generosity, no matter the size?
3.	In what ways can you give sacrificially like the widow in Luke's story?







Journaling Prompts

	Write about a time you shared something small that made a big difference.
2.	List items or gifts you could share with others this week.
3.	Reflect on how faith affects your willingness to give.







Day 2: Sharing What We Have

Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, thank You for showing us through the boy's lunch that small gifts can have great power. Help me to trust You with what I have and to give joyfully. Teach me to share what I possess without fear, believing that You will do more than I imagine. Grow my heart into one that loves like Yours. *Amen*.



















Your Verse

Mark 12:31 - "Love your neighbor as yourself."

Supporting Scriptures

- Luke 10:25-37 The Parable of the Good Samaritan.
- Galatians 5:14 "The entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"







Devotional: Serving Neighbors with Open Hearts

Jesus told us that loving our neighbors is the second greatest commandment. But who is our neighbor? Jesus' parable of the Good Samaritan reveals that a neighbor is anyone in need—no matter where they come from or who they are.

For children, loving neighbors means showing kindness to friends, family, and even strangers. It can be as simple as sharing a snack, helping someone in need, or offering a smile. **True giving includes time, attention, and care, not just possessions.**

When we love our neighbors as ourselves, we mirror the heart of Jesus. This challenges us to look beyond ourselves and consider how our actions bless others daily.







Reflect and Apply

1.	Who are some 'neighbors' in your life that need love and kindness?
2.	How can small acts of love reflect Jesus' teaching?
	Do you find it easy or challenging to love those who are different from you? Why?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time you helped someone who needed kindness.
2.	List ways you can show love to neighbors at school or in your community.
3.	Reflect on how loving your neighbor changes your own heart.







Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for teaching me to love my neighbor as myself. Help me see the needs around me and respond with a loving heart. Teach me to serve as Jesus did, with kindness and generosity. May my actions reflect Your love every day. *Amen.*









Day 4: TGiving with Joy









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Your Verse

2 Corinthians 9:7 - "God loves a cheerful giver."

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 22:9 "The generous will themselves be blessed."
- Acts 2:44–45 Believers shared everything with joy.







Day 4: TGiving with Joy

Devotional: Joyful Hearts Make Giving Beautiful

Giving isn't just about what we share but the attitude we have while giving. Paul tells us in 2 Corinthians that God loves a cheerful giver. This means we should give with happiness, not out of obligation or sadness.

Children often teach adults how to give cheerfully—whether it's offering a gift, a hug, or help. When giving becomes an act of joy, it reflects the love of God shining through us. Generosity blesses both the giver and receiver.

Think today about how your attitude affects your giving. Try to give with a joyful heart, celebrating the opportunity to bless someone else, just like Jesus did.







Day 4: 🎁 Giving with Joy

Reflect and Apply

1.	How does joy change the way you give to others?
2.	Have you ever felt happier after giving? Why do you think that is?
3.	What can you do to give more cheerfully each day?







Day 4: 🎁 Giving with Joy

Journaling Prompts

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Day 4: TGiving with Joy

Prayer for Today

Dear God, help me to give with joy and gladness. Teach me that giving is not a burden but a blessing that brings happiness to my heart and those around me. Fill me with Your love so I can share it cheerfully. Thank You for the chance to bless others. *Amen.* \bigcirc \bigcirc

















Day 5: M Giving Time and Attention

Your Verse

Philippians 2:4 - "Look not only to your own interests but also to the interests of others."

Supporting Scriptures

- Matthew 25:40 "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."
- Hebrews 13:16 "Do not forget to do good and to share with others."







Day 5: M Giving Time and Attention

Devotional: The Gift of Time Reflects God's Love

Giving goes beyond material gifts. Often, the most valuable gift we have is our **time and attention**. Philippians encourages us to care for the interests of others, which means listening, helping, and being present.

Children often show love through simple acts—playing with a lonely child, helping a sibling with chores, or simply being a good friend. These acts reflect the heart of Jesus who cared deeply for every person.

Today, think about how you can give your time to those who need it. Your presence can be a powerful way to show God's love and make a difference.







Day 5: 🕍 Giving Time and Attention

Reflect and Apply

1.	How can giving your time be as valuable as giving a gift?
2.	Where can you offer your attention or help to someone in need?
3.	Why do you think being present matters in showing God's love?







Day 5: 🕍 Giving Time and Attention

Journaling Prompts

	Write about a time someone gave you their time and it made you feel special.
2.	List ways you can share your time and attention with family or friends.
3.	Reflect on how giving your time helps you grow closer to God.







Day 5: M Giving Time and Attention

Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, thank You for the precious gift of time. Help me to give my attention and care to others just as You do. Teach me to be present and loving to those around me. May my actions show Your heart in all I do. *Amen.* 💓 🖤

















Day 6: X Serving Others Humbly

Your Verse

Mark 10:45 - Jesus came to serve, not to be served.

Supporting Scriptures

- John 13:14-15 Jesus washes the disciples' feet as an example.
- Galatians 5:13 Serve one another humbly in love.







Day 6: 🗱 Serving Others Humbly

Devotional: Following Jesus by Serving Humbly

Jesus showed us the ultimate example of giving by serving others humbly. He didn't come to be served but to serve, even performing the lowly task of washing His disciples' feet.

For children, serving others might mean helping with chores, comforting a hurt friend, or sharing what's on their plate. Serving with humility means putting others first and doing it with love, not for praise.

When we serve like Jesus, we become His hands and feet in the world, showing His love through action. This kind of giving is powerful and transforms both the giver and receiver.







Day 6: 🎇 Serving Others Humbly

Reflect and Apply

1.	How did Jesus demonstrate humility while serving others?
2.	What are some ways you can serve others without expecting thanks?
3.	How does serving others help you grow as a follower of Jesus?







Day 6: 🎇 Serving Others Humbly

Journaling Prompts

1.	Describe a time you served someone and how it made you feel.
2.	Make a list of small acts of service you can do this week.
3.	Reflect on how humility plays a role in your giving and serving.







Day 6: 🗱 Serving Others Humbly

Prayer for Today

Dear Jesus, thank You for Your example of humble service. Help me to serve others with a loving heart, without seeking praise or reward. Teach me to put others first and to follow Your example each day. Use me to share Your love through my actions. *Amen.* 🎇 💭 💙







Day 7: Reflecting God's Love by Giving









Day 7: 🌈 Reflecting God's Love by Giving

Your Verse

1 John 4:19 - "We love because He first loved us."

Supporting Scriptures

- John 15:12 "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you."
- Matthew 5:16 Let your light shine before others.







Day 7: <a>7: <a>Reflecting God's Love by Giving

Devotional: Shine God's Love Through Generous Giving

As we conclude this study, remember that all giving flows from God's love for us. 1 John reminds us we love because God first loved us. When we give — whether through gifts, time, or service — we reflect His love to the world.

Jesus' love is the light that shines through our acts of generosity. Each gift offered with a loving heart causes others to see God's presence in our lives.

Let your giving be a reflection of God's amazing love so children and adults everywhere can witness Jesus in you. May your heart remain generous and your actions inspire others to do the same.







Day 7: 🌈 Reflecting God's Love by Giving

Reflect and Apply

1.	How does God's love inspire your giving to others?
2.	In what ways can your actions point others to Jesus?
3.	How can you continue to grow a generous heart beyond this study?







Day 7: 🌈 Reflecting God's Love by Giving

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about how God's love has motivated you to give this week.
2.	List ways you plan to keep giving and loving others daily.
3.	Reflect on what you've learned about generosity through this plan.







Day 7: <a>7: <a>Reflecting God's Love by Giving

Prayer for Today

Father God, thank You for loving me first and teaching me how to love others through giving. Help me to be a bright light that reflects Your kindness, generosity, and grace. May my life inspire others to see Jesus and His love in action. Continue to grow a heart in me that gives freely and joyfully. In Jesus' name, *Amen.*







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