

Theme: We all have gifts, God helps us to use these gifts in the best way.

Games:

Know your leader. Each leader writes down three facts about themselves and puts them in a container. Ask a child to pick out a fact, read it out to the rest of the group and put up hands if they know who it applies to! You could pick some obscure facts to make it more interesting!

Parachute Games. Using a parachute which all the children can fit round, play some games. See separate resource.

Cat and Mouse. All the children sit on the floor, spread out over the room. One is chosen to be the cat and one the mouse. The mouse runs away from the cat and at anytime can sit on the floor in front of another player. This player then becomes the cat, the original cat becomes the mouse and so on....

Introduction: Make a list of different jobs, get the children to think what sort of qualities would be needed for these jobs. i.e. Doctor/nurse = caring, Teacher = knowledge, Cleaner = energetic, Fireman = brave, Salesman = confident, Chef = creative, Comedian = funny.

Story: The story is found in Acts 4 32 – 37 and Acts 6 v 1 – 7. See resources section.

Memory Verse: *"I can do everything through Him who gives me strength"* Philippians 4 v 13. You could write each word out on cards, ask children to pick one out. When all are picked, they must get into the correct order. The whole group then learn the verse together.

Application: What problem did the disciples have? (*They needed people to do all the jobs*)
How many men did they choose? (*7*)
What was special about these 7? (*They were full of the Holy Spirit*)

God helped the disciples to choose the right men for the job! Each one of us has different gifts and we are all good at something. God has different jobs for us to do. When we have decisions and choices to make about what we should do, we can be sure that God will help us. Share a testimony of a time when you were helped by God to make the right decision.

Song: "I can do all, all, all things through Him who strengthens me. Jim Bailey "Spring Harvest Kids Praise 2005/6

Question Box: Choose some questions to answer!

Prayer: Continue with your prayer circle. Give out post it notes, encourage the children to think about their gifts get them to write down what they like doing. Place all the notes on a large piece of paper and ask the children to pray that God would help them to use these gifts for Him.

Craft: Make choosers.

Resources: Story, Funsheet, Choosers.