

# LEADER'S GUIDE YOUNGER CHILDREN KDG

# BIG PICTURE:

SPECIAL DAYS

#### **BIG IDEA:**

MOTHER'S DAY

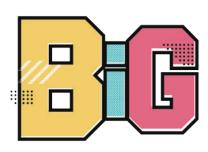
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A TIME TO HONOUR MOTHERS

#### **BIG WORD:**

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#### **DOCUMENT PURPOSE**

This document is the Leader's Guide for BIG Picture 'SPECIAL DAYS'. It contains an outline for you to prepare an impacting small group time for you and your children. The BIG 'Celebrate' User Guide document contains all the service element information, including the large group segment of your service.

Make sure you read through and prayerfully study this material prior to your service to be fully prepared to minister to your children.

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# KIDS DISCIPLESHIP GROUP (KDG)

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#### **LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

At the conclusion of this lesson children will:

- Take time to honour their mother or a woman in their life.
- Know that we are all part of God's family.
- Discover some great Mothers in the Bible.

# YOUNGER CHILDREN RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 6-8

Use this KDG outline to prepare an impacting small group time for you and your children.

### **CONNECT TIME**

What is your favourite thing to do with your mum? (Or grandma, sister, aunt)

# THE BIG QUESTION GROUP DISCUSSION

1. What does honour mean?

Honour means to have high respect and great esteem. Honour means we give that person an important place in our life.

#### 2. How can we honour our mums?

Ephesians 6:1-2 (NLT) "Children, obey your parents because you belong to the Lord, for this is the right thing to do. "Honour your father and mother." We honour our mums by obeying them, respecting them, helping them, praying for them, doing kind things and telling them how much we love them.

3. How are we all part of God's family? Read John 1:12

We are all part of God's family because God is our heavenly Father and we are all God's children.

John 1:12 (NIV) "Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God"

Parents want to make sure their children are cared for, loved, believed in, prayed for, reach their dreams and be happy. It's the same with our God, He wants all these things and so much more. We are His kids!

## **ACTIVITY SHEETS**

Children complete the activity sheets in this time.

### THE BIG ACTIVITY

**SUPPLIES NEEDED:** Flower and shape templates printed from print material files, either on coloured card paper or white if children will colour it in. Scissors, hole punch, split pins, coloured pencils.

**DIRECTIONS:** (If you have a large group or much younger children you may like to pre-cut the shapes before the lesson.)

Cut out the flower and leaf shapes and punch a hole in the centre of each shape. Layer the flower shapes and place a split pin through the hole and bend the arms at the back to hold the flowers and leaves in place.

**EXPLANATION:** We love our Mums, they are awesome. Proverbs 31:28 (NIRV) "Her children stand up and call her blessed. Her husband also rises up, and he praises her." Today we take some time to honour our mums and other amazing women in our lives.



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#### **BIG WORD** PRACTICE AND PRAY

"Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Give thanks no matter what happens. God wants you to thank him because you believe in Christ Jesus."

# 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NIRV)

Practice this verse together by saying each line and having the children repeat after you.

Take a moment to pray and do what this verse instructs, thanking God for our mums. You can use the prayer supplied at the end of this page.

# **GAME** STRAWS AND PING PONG BALL RELAY

**SUPPLIES NEEDED:** Drinking straws and ping pong balls, masking tape to create a start and end line.

Divide your group into two even teams and have them line up at the starting line. Give each child a drinking straw and place ping pong balls at the starting line, in front of the first player of each team. Players will use their straw to blow the ping pong ball to the end line and back again before the next player in each team will take their turn. The first team to have all players complete the challenge are the winners.

# **PRAYER**

Dear God,

Thank you for our mothers, grandmothers, sisters, aunties and friends. Thank you that you give us special people in our life to love us and take care of us. We pray that every mother is valued, honoured and cherished today and everyday.

In Jesus name, Amen

# **LEADER NOTES**

A space for you, the leader, to write notes, plans, reminders, things to follow up on or remember for next time.	
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