

Don't throw your pearls to pigs.

Spiritual Gifts and the Impact on others.

Christ the King Lutheran Activity/Bible Study

Thursday July 11th and Friday 12th

The Foundation

◆ Theme:

Be confident in who you are, how you have been created. Out of His creation you never know the impact you will have in someone's life. Bless as you have been blessed.

◆ Bible Foundations:

1. Matthew 7: 1-12

"Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and then turn and tear you to pieces.

2. **1 Corinthians 12**

Spiritual Gifts

The Rubber Hits the Road

◆ Icebreaker: (10 minutes)

Bip Bop Bippity Bop

(Have whoever is in the circle introduces themselves: 1. Name 2. Grade 3. Favorite food 4. Something fun they did this Summer.)

Bip bop bippity bop is a fast paced, energetic game. Have everyone gather in a circle. One person will get in the middle. The person in the middle has two choices at this point. They can go to any other person in the circle and say either "bip bop bippity bop" or just "bop". Now, if they say "bip bop bippity bop" the person whom they are saying it to must say "bop" before the person is done saying "bip bop bippity bop". If the person fails to say "bop" before it is done, they switch places with the person in the middle. Now if the person in the middle just says "bop" the person whom they are saying it to must remain silent. If that person says anything, any kind of uttering will result in them switching places.

You can add the following options to add some more options for the person in the middle:

1. Elephant: the person in the middle will approach anyone in the middle and say "elephant." The people to the left and the right of the person who "elephant" was said to, must make

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“elephant ears” around the person who “elephant” was said to. The person who “elephant” was said to must make a “trunk” out of their arm and make an elephant noise. Now, all of this has to happen before the person in the middle says “bip bop bippity bop” otherwise the person how “elephant” was said to must switch with the person in the middle.

2. Jello: Same concept as elephant. The person in the middle can now say “jello” to any person in the circle. Just like the “elephant” option the two people around the person whom “jello” was said to, will make a “bowl” around that person, and that person whom “jello” was said to will wiggle and say “jello”. This all has to be done before the person in the middle can finish saying “bip bop bippity bop” otherwise they switch with the person in the middle.

◆ Teaching Activity: (20 minutes)

Building your house on unstable ground

First build a house out of cards on the ground. See how high or fancy you can make it. Then try to build the same house except this time you are building that house using someone's hands as the foundation. Which was easier? What was hard about building this house on the hands compared to the ground.

Tent Pole Leadership

You will need a tent pole for this activity. (You can purchase a pole at any sporting goods store.) Have the group make two lines, facing each other, and stagger the lines so it looks like a zipper. Have everyone put their two forefingers in front of them around waist high. Once there is a “plank” that has been formed with the groups fingers, place the tent pole on their fingers. Their goal is to lower the pole to the ground. They are not allowed to put their thumbs on the top, or hold it in any way. The pole must remain laying on their fingers. You can try it different ways, like saying everyone can be a leader, one person has to be identified as the leader before you start, or even try

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having no one speak. (you will see the dynamic of the group in this activity.)

◆ Bible Study/Lesson Time: (45 Minutes)

-Lesson Readings (group share) What stood out to them? What do you think God wants us to know in this? Does this make sense?

-“DRAG BIG” the teaching activities. DRAG BIG is a way to remember a way to break down an activity. What did you Do? How did you Relate to Achieve your Goal? What does the Bible say? What can we learn about God? (you may not go through the whole thing at this point as you will go deeper into Bible and God during the group discussion. Weave in Theme and Lessons

-Lasting message: You have been created in the image of God. You have been created as precious, unique and beautiful in His eyes. God has blessed you with gifts you may or may not know yet. You never know the impact that you have on someone's life. You never know if you what you do or how you treat someone, can be the only face of God they will ever see.