

Shout Out: Let 'em Know You're Thankful

Use this guide to help your family learn how
God wants us to be grateful.

First, watch
this week's
video!

Gratitude:
Letting others
know you see
how they've
helped you

Memory Verse

Give thanks to
the Lord, because
he is good. His
faithful love
continues forever.
Psalm 136:1, NIV

Bible Story

David Dances
2 Samuel 6:12b-22a

Key Question

What are creative
ways to show
gratitude?

Activity

Create Your Own Holiday

WHAT YOU NEED:

Paper and writing utensil

WHAT YOU DO:

Tell your child that the two of you are going to create your own holiday. Ask your child the following questions and write down their answers.

- What is the name of your holiday celebration?
- What does your holiday celebrate?
- What date is your holiday?
- What are the holiday's colors?
- What do people eat on your holiday?
- What do people do to celebrate on your holiday? Do they go anywhere? Do they wear anything special? Is there special music?

Say, "I think your holiday sounds awesome. Holidays are fun because they give us a reason to celebrate the things and people that are most important to us."

Talk About the Bible Story

What would you say was important to David? (*God, saying thanks, showing gratitude*)

What do you think David might have been saying while he was dancing? (*"Thank you, God! You are a good God! You are awesome, amazing, and wonderful!"*)

David's wife Michal was clearly not as excited as David when the ark was returned to Jerusalem. What makes some people more grateful than others? (*The way they choose to see things*)

What are some things we can celebrate about God no matter what is happening in our lives? (*He loves us; He sent us Jesus; He hears us when we talk to Him.*)

Parent: Share a few ways you celebrate God when times are good, and when times are not as good.

Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, You are worthy of our greatest expression of gratitude and our most joyful celebration. We praise You for what You have done in the past, and we look forward to all You will do in the future. We thank You for sending us Jesus. We know that we always have something to celebrate when we follow Him. In Jesus' name, amen."



Day 1

Go to Studio252.tv and watch this week's episode of The So & So Show.

➡ Click on Fun2Watch! then The So & So Show.

Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!

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After watching, write one thing that:

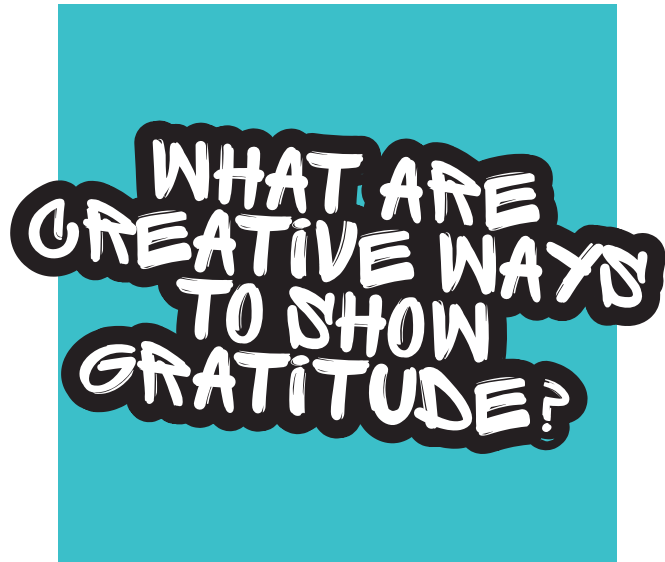
1. You liked: _____

2. You learned: _____

3. You'd like to know: _____

Journal

Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.



Day 4

Yesterday you showed gratitude to God by telling Him all the things you were thankful for that He has done.

Today, celebrate Him by telling others some of the things He has done.

Pick at least one of the ideas below to tell others some of the great things God has done!

- ➔ When you bless your meal as a family at dinner, thank God out loud for all the ways He has provided for your family.
- ➔ Tell a friend how thankful you are that God brought you into each other's lives.
- ➔ Write a poem or song or prayer of gratitude and share it with others.



Day 5

This week you've thought a lot about ways you can show gratitude to God.

Create an acrostic poem to remind yourself of some of the ways you can show gratitude to God. You can use whatever word you'd like, such as celebrate, thankful, gratitude, etc. (Note: the poem doesn't have to use the first letter of each line; see the examples below.)

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Hang your poem somewhere you will see it every day, and pick one creative way to show gratitude to God!

Day 2

Read 2 Samuel 6:12-21

As you read 2 Samuel 6:12-21, circle all of the words and phrases that have to do with celebration and gratitude.

Look at the words you've underlined. You should see words like joy, danced, and leaping. Maybe you underlined the sentence about David giving away bread and raisin cakes. Even the part about David making sacrifices should be underlined! That might seem strange to us today, but during David's lifetime, people made sacrifices to God for several reasons, and one of them was to worship, praise, and thank God. We don't do those kinds of sacrifices today, but we can look for other creative ways to celebrate what God has done.

Go back and circle the words and phrases that are ways you might be able to celebrate God. Pick one today that you haven't done before and celebrate God in a creative way!



Day 3

Sometimes you might pray sitting in a chair, standing in a circle with friends, or even kneeling by your bed. But you can pray anytime, anywhere, doing anything.

Today, take a few minutes to celebrate God for what He has done. Write 3-5 things here that God has done either in your life or the world around you.

Thank God out loud for each thing you wrote down. After each thing you thank Him for, do something physical to celebrate. You can clap, jump up and down, raise your hands in the air, or even dab. You may feel a little silly, but remember it's just you and God, and David danced in front of a crowd!

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Theme

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Week Two

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Ask This

What are creative ways to show gratitude?

Do This



Meal Time

Q&A FOR KIDS: Who has most recently helped you? Did you thank them? (If not, go do it!)

Q&A FOR PARENTS: What is something difficult you experienced that you're grateful for now?

REMEMBER THIS

"Give thanks to the Lord,
because he is good. His faithful
love continues forever."
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**Give your kids
the courage to
fail by creating a
safe place at home
where failure is a
catalyst to success,
rather than a
reason to stop
trying.**

—Dan Scott

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