



January 29th, 2012

My Life 2

I. Synopsis *(a summary of the lesson from this week)*

Kids don't have to wait until they grow up to live their life for Christ! Watch each week and see the lives of other kids just like you that are Makin' a Difference!

You can watch the teaching segments from this week at: <http://lifekids.lifechurch.tv/toon-town/unit-83/Week-2> . It will be helpful to watch this segment before talking about it with your child. Or, you all can watch it together as a family – it's only about 15 minutes long!

II. Hook: *(a fun, interactive activity that helps connect to a spiritual conversation)*

On your computer or smart phone, have your family watch the following video:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IWvO2s6Wbn8>

Afterwards, discuss the concept of random acts of kindness. Spend some time brainstorming simple acts of kindness that kids could do that would make a difference in someone else's life.

III. Book *(a review of the Bible verse and Bible phrase taught this week)*

Have your child lookup and read Matthew 5:41, or read it yourself: "If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles."

Then read the phrase for this week: "God, if I want to do big things for You, I'll have to do more than people expect me to."

IV. Look *(a series of questions to talk about with your child)*

First, ask your child what he or she remembers from the story that they watched on Sunday. You can remind them that this week Forest went over to Jake's house after school to convince

him to go help clean out Mrs. Lewis' house. Jake didn't want to, but Forest reminded him that serving God sometimes means doing more than what is expected. Then they talked about the story in the Bible where King David's men went out of their way to bring David some water. Later, Jake shared this same story with his sister Emily to encourage her that she could raise enough money to help buy school supplies for the whole school, even though her teacher didn't think she could do it.

Next, discuss the following questions:

- What does it mean to do more than people expect?
- What are some things people don't think you could do because you are a kid?
- Have you ever done something more than people expected? What did you do? Or, if not, what might be one way you could do that?

V. Took *(what you want your child to remember from this story)*

1. God wants us to go out of our way to help people around us.
2. We shouldn't let other people discourage us by telling us that we can't do something just because we're too young or too small or any other reason.
3. Instead, we need to ask God for help, work hard, and do what we can to help others.

Talk about something you could do as a family to make a difference in the life of someone you know who is need. Then, take time this week to do that together.

VII. Close with Prayer