LIFE KIDS

ELEMENTARY

CURRICULUM GUIDE – UPSIDE DOWN WEEK 1

1. Service & BGMC

- **Service:** Before jumping into these activities make sure you watch our Life Kids Elementary online service! This week's service is found in the Life Kids Elementary Tab on lifechurchwi.com/lifekidsonline.
- **BGMC:** In Life Kids we want our kids to know that they can make a difference in this world, especially during challenging times. Through BGMC, we're able to have an impact and help those in need. We challenge kids that have been saving cash in their Buddy Barrels to continue to do so. Then when we are back together in person, we can see all God has done through our kids. During this time, if your child would prefer to continue to give from home, we have two options:
    - Online: https://lifechurchwi.churchcenter.com/giving/to/bgmc
    - Text to Give: Text "BGMC" to 84321
- **Prayer:** The most important thing we can give right now are our thoughts and prayers. Make time to pray with your family. Help your kids to know prayer is the most powerful thing we can give to those in need.

2. Ice Breaker

- Ask: If it was raining tacos, would you eat them?

3. Discussion Questions

- What does it feel like to always focus on what you want, no matter what?
- How have you put someone first recently? How does it feel to focus on someone else and make an effort to put them first?
- Why are certain people easier to put first then others? Without naming names, who is easier? Who is harder?
- Our world is often "all about me", so how can you love the upside-down, others-first, life instead?
- How can you put others first this week? Who is someone specific you can put first and how are you going to do it?

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4. Main Point Challenge

- Say the main point several times together: **Put others first.**
- Have some fun memorizing the main point.
    - Have your kids come up with actions or dance moves that can help you and others remember this week's main point.
- We want to see the actions that your family creates!
    - Record a video and post it to Facebook using #LKChallenge and tag @LifeKidsWI in the post.
    - There will be a prize for the family with the best actions! We can't wait to see what you come up with!

5. Prayer

- **Give:** each kid a coin, and gather kids in a circle.
    - If you don't have multiple coins you can use one and pass it around.
- **Ask:** the first person to flip the coin and call out either "heads" or "tails" while the coin is in the air. No matter how the coin lands, guide them to pray this prayer: "Dear God, even if I don't get what I want, help me to put others first."
    - Let everyone have a chance to flip a coin and say the prayer. Once everyone has gone close in prayer.
- **Pray:** Dear God, thank You for hearing our prayers and knowing our hearts and all the hard things in our lives. lease show our friends and family that You are with us and that You care. Thank You for Jesus! Through Jesus, You showed us how to put others first. Jesus followed Your plan to put us first even though it meant a lot of pain and suffering for Him. Please help us be more like Jesus and to put others before ourselves. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen!