Elementary
Week 5-Pajama Jam
December 30/31, 2017

Bottom Line
Give like you’re giving to God!

Staging:
- Wood backdrop
- Tree standee
- Cardboard fireplace
- Christmas trees
- Buffalo Plaid wrapped gifts

Game: Pancake Pile Up
Order up! You’re in charge of your family breakfast! Help your family at the dinner table by racing to the grill relay-style and piling up pancakes in precisely the right order!

Materials Needed:
- 1 game of Pancake Pile Up
- Prize for the winning team

How to play:
- Divide kids into two teams of 5 and have them line up.
- Turn over an order card and call, “Order up!”
- The first player on each team must find the first pancake from the order card, race to their plates, pancakes on spatulas, to stack pancakes. Then the first players run back to their teams, handing the spatulas to the next players relay-race-style.
- The team that correctly completes the stack of pancakes and tops it with a pat of butter first will win!
Stack the Verse!

We’re not done stacking for the day! All month long you’ve had the chance to learn the memory verse for this series. Did you learn it?

Materials Needed:
- Two sets of 8 pancakes with words of the verse on them. (Will be provided)
- 2 spatulas and plates (can use the ones from pancake pile up.)
- Prize for the winning team

How to play:
- Divide kids into two teams of 8 and have them line up. If you have a large group, try to chose kids who did not play the first game.
- The first child in each group must find the pancake that has the correct first part of the memory verse.
- They will race to their plates, pancakes on spatulas, to stack pancakes. Then they must run back, handing the spatulas to the next players relay-race-style.
- The next players must find the next part of the memory verse, put it on their spatulas, and run to stack them on top of the other pancakes.
- The first team to correctly stack the memory verse pancakes in order before time runs out, will be the winner!
Happy New Year’s Eve, everybody! Can you believe today is the last weekend of 2017!? Crazy how fast this year flew by.

- Well, I hope you all had an awesome Christmas. We’ve had a great month discovering how we can be more generous because God has been so generous with us.
- And today is an awesome day because we are celebrating a new year with… PANCAKES AND PAJAMAS!
- If you came in your PJ’s stand up! (Wait for response)
- Nice! You can have a seat. Before we continue, let’s take a moment and talk to God through prayer!

Host leads kids in prayer

I hope you came with your game face today because we are going to start off with a pancakes and pajamas game!

- Order up! You’re in charge of your family breakfast!
- Help your family at the dinner table by racing to the grill relay-style, and piling up pancakes in precisely the right order! (Show them the cards from the game)

Here’s how to play:
- Divide 10 kids into two teams of 5 and have them line up.
- Turn over an order card and call, “Order up!”
- The first player on each team must find the first pancake from the order card, race to their plates, pancakes on spatulas, to stack pancakes. Then the first players run back to their teams, handing the spatulas to the next players relay-style.
- The team that correctly completes the stack of pancakes and tops it with a pat of butter first will win!

Let’s play pancake pile up!

Host Leads Game

And our winning team is… (announce winner and award prize)
- Great job friends! Now, raise your hand if you wish you could rewind to last week and do Christmas all over again. (Pause for response.)
• Raise your hand if you’re glad Christmas is over and you can’t wait to stay up until midnight to celebrate the New Year. (Pause for response.)
• Either way, I’m glad you’re all hanging out with us today.
• Last week, we heard the story of how Jesus was born. For many of us, this is a story we’ve heard many times. But there’s ANOTHER part of the story of Jesus’ birth that might be new to some of you.
• In today’s story, Jesus was already born. We’re not quite sure how old Jesus was at this point in His life, but he was probably less than two years old. Let’s check it out together!

Give_Wk 5_Bible Story_Video
Give_Logo_Slide
• The wise men gave with some serious generosity, but what does this mean for us and the way we should give?
• Being generous comes easily to us at Christmastime, but what about the rest of the year?
• What would happen if we focused on giving in December AND throughout the other eleven months?
• How can we be generous with one another in ways that show them how much we care? (Wait for response)
• All of this brings us to our Bottom Line for today!

Give_Wk 5_Bottom Line_Slide
Say it with me...Give like you’re giving to God!

• Maybe it will cost us our time. Maybe it will cost us our comfort. Maybe it will cost us our money.
• Giving like we’re giving to God can change the way we give. If you could give anything to God, what would you give? (Pause for ideas.)
• Did you know that God says that when we give to others it’s like we are giving to Him?
• We give because God gave to us first. God’s giving goes on and on. His generosity never stops. The biggest gift God wants to give us is forever life with Him.
• See, God sent Jesus to earth as a baby for you and for me. Jesus grew up living a perfect life and then died on a cross to take the punishment for our sins – the sins that had separated us from God.
• When we believe in Jesus and accept the forgiveness He offers us, the separation is GONE and we have the promise of forever-life with God!
• My friends, when God forgives you for your sins and you begin a friendship with Him, you can live your life for Him. You can be free from sin and free to love others generously the way He loves you. If you have never talked to God about starting a friendship with Him, you can TODAY! And leader here at CF Kids would love help you, so please talk to one of us before leaving today!
Give_Game 2
All month long you’ve had the chance to learn the memory verse for this series. Did you learn it? Let’s go over it one more time!

Give_Memory Verse_Slide

Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. 1 Timothy 6:18

We’re not done stacking for the day! Listen up to hear how to play our next game!
• I am going to divide you into 2 teams of 8 players.
• The first player in each group must find the pancake that has the correct first part of the memory verse.
• They will race to their plates, pancake on spatula, to stack pancakes. Then they must run back and hand the spatulas to the next players relay-race-style.
• The next players must find the next part of the memory verse, put it on their spatulas, and run to stack them on top of the other pancakes.
• The first team to correctly stack the memory verse pancakes in order before time runs out, will be the winner!

Now you’ll only have 60 seconds to Stack the Verse! Let’s play!

Host Leads Game
Give_60 Second Timer_Video
Give_Pancakes and Pajamas_Slide

Give_Announcements
Give_Offering_Slide

That was great!
Because God deserves our best, we should give our best! Remember, when we give to someone in need, we are giving to God. Our offering is a way we can care for others and give to God.
• If anyone has offering, please place it in (Indicate area).

Give_January Devo_Slide
I’m happy to say that everyone will be going home with a special gift today! We want to help you start the New Year off right by spending time with God, so you’ll be going home with a devotional!
• Each page includes something special for you to know about God, Bible passages, and a key question.
• This is YOUR time to spend with God, so make it count!

Give_Pump it Up_Slide
Using your devotional will be part of the “Pump it Up” Challenge! What am I talking about? Every weekend in January, we are going to give you a challenge to help you “Pump up” your faith!

- And at the end of the month, we are going to celebrate with a “Pump it up Palooza”!
- So make sure to come back NEXT weekend to find out more!

**Give_Snow_Slide**

Unfortunately, the weather forecast seems to be moving our snow flurries right out of CF Kids. So this is the LAST weekend to enjoy the snow. Come check it out at (indicate location).

I can’t thank you enough for coming in today! Let’s end our time in prayer!

Lead kids in Prayer

God, thank You for being so generous to us and sending us Your Son, Jesus. Help us give like the wise men gave: generously and without thinking about ourselves. Help us give to others like we’re giving to You. We pray this in Jesus’ name, amen

If time is allotted, play the worship video, but have kids come up with the motions:

- **Here’s the chorus:**
  
  Born this day in Bethlehem  
  There’s a King in a manager  
  No room in the inn  
  The wise men seek him  
  The shepherds, too  
  Born for me and you  

  Come on, join the angels  
  Singing, "Glory to God in the highest..."  
  Join the angels  
  Shoutin’, "Peace on Earth, good will to men..."  
  It’s been a long time comin’  
  He’s the one we waited for  
  So, join the angels  
  And praise the Lord

**Give_Join the Angels_Worship Video**

**Give_Christmas Lights_Game Video**

**Give_Dude Perfect_Bottle Flip Video**