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WEEK

Rocks for Remembering

Preschoolers will decorate a rock to remind them to express their thankfulness.

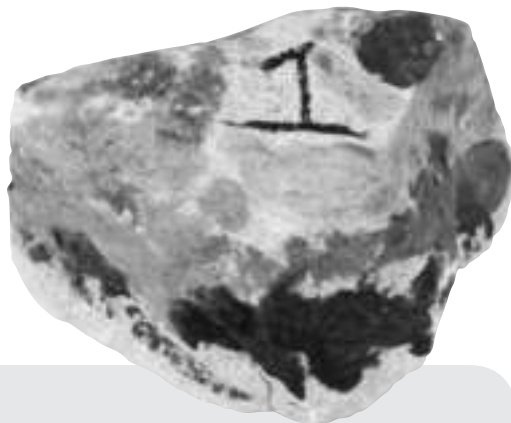
1 SAY

Today we're remembering how important it is to say thank you. We learned about God helping the Israelites cross the Jordan River. Joshua and his friends collected stones to help them remember the day God stopped the river. Today we're going to paint rocks to take home. They'll help us remember to say thank you to God every single day.

You Will Need

- medium-sized rocks (at least 1 per child)
- waterproof marker*
- washable paints*
- paintbrushes*
- paint smocks*
- water dishes*
- paper towels

*reuse each rotation



2 DO

As the children work, ask them to think of the many things they are thankful for and ways they can say thank you to God.



Thank God

Joshua 3:1–4:24

The Israelites needed to cross the Jordan River. Joshua told the priests to stand in the river. As their feet touched the water, it parted, and the people walked across on dry land.

3 MAKE



- 1 Ask each child to select a rock from the pile on the table.




Tip

Remind children of the Bible Point they learned during Week 4: Put God first. Help them remember that the very first commandment Moses received was to put God first always.

4 ASK

Have Circle leaders direct their Circles in discussing these questions:

- Have you ever brought something back from a trip to remind you of the fun you had? Tell about it.
- Where will you keep your rock to help you remember to  thank God for the good things he does?
- What are things you can thank God for?



2 Help children write a “1” on their rocks, and remind them that it is important to make God number one in their lives.



3 Have children decorate their rocks with washable paints.