

12 WEEK Remember When

Kids will thank God for what he's done for them and will remind others of God's goodness.

Bible  Point

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.

You Will Need

- 1 shoe box per Circle
- tape*
- 1 small, flat stone per child
- markers*

*reuse each rotation

Tip

You've just created a time capsule! In a year we'll remind you to open it and return the stones to the children who signed them!



1 SAY

God miraculously helped the Israelites cross the flooding Jordan River on dry ground. The people then placed 12 stones on the riverbank as a reminder to future generations of what God had done.

We're going to make a reminder of what God's done for us, too.

2 DO



- 1** Give each child a stone and a marker. Ask children to draw or write something that expresses their thankfulness to God. Ask kids to sign their creations.



- 2** Let Circles decorate their boxes, write "Open November, 2007" on them, place their stones inside, and seal the boxes with tape.



Invite a friend


Invite a Christian parent to share a personal story with your group about a time he or she was especially thankful to God.



3 Take boxes to the Closing Celebration so kids can see them. Put the boxes where you can find them in one year.

3 ASK

Have Circle leaders direct their Circles in discussing these questions:

- What did you  thank God for?
- How is your box like the 12 stones the Israelites put by the banks of the Jordan River?
- Why is it important to remember we're thankful to God?

4 SAY



If someone saved your life, would you be thankful to that person? Of course! If you're a Christian, you can thank God for saving you—forever! You'll spend forever in heaven with him because you trust his Son, Jesus. If you haven't yet trusted Jesus to be in charge of your life, talk with me or with your Circle of Friends leader before you leave today.