# LIVING FAITH Kids



## **Our Great Gifts**

Stewardship for Kids



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### Have you made your gift list ( today?



No, not a list of presents you want, but a list of all the great gifts you've received.

There are the wrapped gifts you get at birthdays and Christmas. And there are the gifts you get every single day, like the good air you breathe, the sky above you, your favorite animal, good friends and your family. Even this day is a gift. Whether it's sunny or cloudy, today is a gift from God for the world, and for you.



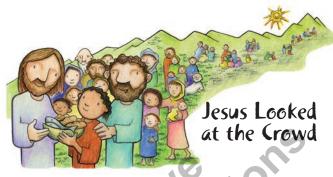
Write or draw some gifts you've received lately. (Remember, they don't have to be the kind that are wrapped in paper.)

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Thank you, God for all I've received. Help me remember that all good gifts come from you. I

love you. Amen.



He knew everyone was hungry, but no one had brought food. Except for one boy, who had a few loaves of bread and some fish to share.

Do you know what happened next?
Jesus received the boy's loaves and fish,
gave thanks and suddenly there was enough
to feed 5,000 people! And the leftovers filled
twelve baskets.

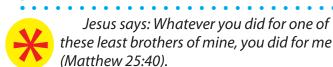
Do you think the boy took good care of his bread and fish? That's called stewardship. (stew-erd-ship). We're good stewards when we take care of our gifts and share them with others, in Jesus' name. Because no matter how small our gifts may seem, Jesus can turn them into something amazing.

#### Standout Stewards

Long ago, a steward's job was serving food. In England and Scotland, some stewards did so well, they were given more responsibility and put in charge of castles or villages. One steward even became king! Just goes to show that when you're a good steward in small matters, big things can happen!

#### How many words can you make?

Jesus made a few loaves of bread into many. How many words can you make out of stewardship? There are at least 14, including "stew" and "draw." (Answers are on the back cover.)





### JESUS SAYS:

Whatever you did for one of the least of mine, you did for me.

Matthew 25:40

#### Answers

Page 5: ship, raw, share, his, raise, art, war, red, hip, paw, peas, wet, etc.

Page 7: "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another"

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