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# Impact Kids Spring 2026 Older Kids Leader Guide February 25, 2026

next steps  
IN DISCIPLESHIP

**Spiritual Gifts-** God gives each of us different gifts to use for Him. Even though our gifts are different, we all serve the same God and work together as one team. 1 Corinthians 12:4-5  
*Bible- Feb 25- Romans 12:4-5; Acts 4:32-37* The Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God.  
*Memory Verse:* 1 Corinthians 12:4-5



**At a Glance**



**The Code**



**Gospel Page**



**Spiritual Gifts-  
Leader Devos**

## Memory Verse Mania

We'll focus on one key Bible verse connected to what we're learning in Impact Kids. Kids will have a chance to memorize it, live, and share it.

*Memory Verses:*

*Psalms 119:105, 1 Corinthians 12:4-5,*

*John 15:5, Ephesians 6:13*

*Bonus: Eph 6:10, Psalm 23:1, Matt 6:9-13, Psalm 100:2, Favorite Verse and extra bonus*

## Wednesday Group Schedule

Leaders Arrive: 6:15 PM  
Family Dinner: 6:30 PM – 6:50 PM  
K-3rd Outside Play: 6:50 PM- 7:20 PM  
4th & 5th Small Group: 6:50 PM- 7:30 PM  
K-3rd Small Group: 7:25 PM- 8:00 PM  
4th & 5th Outside Play: 7:30 PM- 8:00 PM  
Dismiss: 8:00 PM- 8:05 PM



## Opening Game:

### Supplies:

- Bible
- large gift box from Feb 11
- plastic forks (1 per child)
- tape
- pens

### Easy Prep

- Wrap the large box in such a way that you can still open the top. You will add to the gift box weekly for the next 4 weeks.

### Welcome

- Thank kids for coming.
- Introduce new kids.

### Introduce the Lesson

**Say:** Today we're going to learn about how we can use spiritual gifts.

Spiritual gifts are special skills God gives everyone who loves Jesus, through the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God, so let's use them that way! Since serving food is one way to serve, let's use forks to remind us to use our gifts to serve.

- Distribute a fork to each child.
- Have kids place their forks in the gift box.
- You'll continue to add to the gift box next week, so leave it in the room.

### Share

- Tell kids a chore you'd be willing to do for someone else.
- Have kids form pairs. Ask kids to share what chores they'd do for someone else.
- After partners have shared, ask two or three kids to share with the whole group.

### Summarize

Open a Bible to 1 Corinthians 12 and say: Doing chores for others is one way to serve. Let's find out how the Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God. We'll see in the Bible how the church served God and each other! The Bible isn't like other books; it's special. The Bible is one way God talks to us. God is here right now, ready to talk to you. Let's talk with him now.

**Pray,** asking the Holy Spirit to help kids serve with their gifts.

## Talk About Video:

### Discuss and Watch “The Family That Serves”

**Say:** Today we’re learning that the Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God. That means there’s a big purpose to the gifts the Holy Spirit gives us!

Let’s watch a family that uses their gifts to serve God. Pay attention to what gifts you see in each family member.

### Watch “The Family That Serves.”

**Ask:** • What gifts did you see in the different family members?

- How were those gifts useful as they served?
- What gifts have you seen in your own family members?
- How could you all use your gifts together to serve God?

**Say:** Cooper is good at making new friends! He makes people feel welcome and loved. The dad is a good leader who could lead the service. Emery has compassion and helped a man who didn’t smell good feel loved. They all have the gift of generosity, giving their time and resources to help people in need. And when they put all their gifts together, they served God in a really cool way! The Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God.

## Deeper Bible:

### Supplies

- Bibles
- supplies for service project options (see list in activity)
- paper
- pens
- basket

### Easy Prep

- We’ve suggested several service project ideas below. Narrow the list down to 5 or 6 that will work in your church, and gather any supplies you may need.

### Set It Up

**Say:** We’re learning that the Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God. But we’ve also talked about serving other people. So which is it? Are we really serving God if we’re serving other people? Let’s dig in to that.

## Deeper Bible: cont

### Dig Deeper

**Say:** As you listen to these verses, listen for how serving others could really be about serving God. Read 1 Peter 4:10-11.

**Ask:** • How does serving others point to God?

**Say:** This verse talks about the attitude we can have when we serve—or when we do anything! Read Colossians 3:23.

**Ask:** • What difference would it make when you serve if you really believed this verse?

**Say:** Jesus talked about this idea, too. Listen to what he said. Read Matthew 25:37-40.

**Ask:** • What do you think Jesus meant when he said that giving someone food or showing a stranger hospitality was actually for him—for Jesus?

**Say:** The Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God, and when we serve others, that's one way of serving God! Let's put that into practice and serve God right now.

### Serve

Choose five or six options from the list below that kids can do at your church.

Have kids vote on which ones they'd like to do. The top two choices will be the two you do, and kids can choose which one of those two to participate in. You can lead one service project while your adult or teen helper leads the other.

- Leave notes around the church to encourage people. (Supplies: paper, pens)
- Look around church grounds for trash and clean it up. (Supplies: trash bags)
- Pray for people in the church lobby. (No supplies)
- Pray for kids in the preschool class. (No supplies)
- Go read Bible books to children in the nursery. (Supplies: Bible picture books and communication with nursery staff)
- Leave a surprise thank-you banner in the staff offices. (Supplies: bulletin board paper, markers, tape)
- Prepare a snack for another class, then serve it. (Supplies: snack items)
- Write Bible verses on tissue boxes, and place the boxes around the lobby. (Supplies: tissue boxes, Bibles, markers)
- Look for sorting or folding jobs your church may need help with. (Supplies will vary)
- Clean bathroom mirrors. (Supplies: glass cleaner, paper towels)
- Prepare preschool crafts for next week. (Supplies will vary; coordinate with your preschool ministry)

**Ask:** • Why did you choose the service project you did?

• What ideas did this experience give you for ways you can use your gifts to serve God?

Have kids think of other practical ideas for how they can serve God throughout the week. Have each child write an idea on a sheet of paper, and collect the papers in a basket.

Have each child pull out an idea from the basket, and challenge kids to serve God that way this week.

## Memory Verse Mania:

### Supplies:

- Leader Tracking Sheets (1 set per group in leader folder)
- Memory Verse Mania Instruction Page (1 per leader in leader folder)
- Memory Verse Posters (1 copy for each kid)
- paper- 1 sheet per kid
- crayons

### Explain Memory Verse Mania

**Say:** This Spring Impact Kids groups will be taking a Memory Verse Challenge called Memory Verse Mania. In this challenge, each week we will practice the verse. If you think you have it memorized before we practice, leaders will take time during Family Table to listen to you and mark on their Leader Tracking Sheets. Then on Feb 4, Mar 4, Mar 11, and April 29 you will get the chance to win a prize in our drawing. On May 6, we will celebrate everyone who memorized all the verses. If you can do it, we will share other verses from our lessons in the Fall to add to your memory banks. Storing God's Word in our hearts, helps us in the future. Are you ready to take the challenge? Here is your chance to practice the verse for this week. *(Send Posters home with kids- if kids already have a poster, there is no need to send more home.)*

“There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord.” 1 Corinthians 12:4-5

## Memory Verse Mania cont.

### Write, Draw, Sing

**Say:** We learned how the church in the Bible used their gifts to serve each other. The Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God and others, too! When we serve others to show God's love, we're also serving God! Let's learn a Bible verse that can help us sort this out some more.

The Bible was originally written in three languages. Today it's in hundreds of languages so people around the world can understand it and learn about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, and their own spiritual gifts.

In the Bible, 1 Corinthians 12:4-5 says, "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord."

- Lead kids in repeating the verse a few times, one phrase at a time.
- Invite kids to learn the verse in different ways. They can each choose one of these options:
  - Refer to the Bible Verse Poster to help them write the verse.
  - Draw a picture that shows what the verse means to them.
  - Simply speak the verse again several times.
  - Sing the verse to a familiar tune, such as "Mary Had a Little Lamb."
- Distribute paper and crayons to anyone who would like to write or draw the verse.

### Talk About It

**Ask:** • What did you choose to do to learn the Bible verse? Tell me more about that. Allow kids who wrote or drew a picture to hold up the papers.

• What did that show you about the differences in how people can serve God?

**Say:** You chose different ways to repeat the message—the words—of the verse, but they all were the same message. That's a lot like how our different gifts can all serve God. The way we serve can look and sound and even feel different but can all show God's love for others. The Holy Spirit give us gifts to serve God.

## Activity Page with a Point

### Supplies Needed:

- Activity Page
- colored pencils
- crayons

Pass out activity pages and supplies.

**SAY:** The Bible says the Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God. That's what the Christians in the Bible did when they shared all they had. Let's find people who are good at different things and share about our talents.

Distribute the activity pages and pencils. Kids will find people who can do the things listed on each square.

**Ask:** • How did it feel when you saw a box that told about a gift you have?  
• What do we normally like to do when we're good at something?

**Say:** Sometimes when we're good at something, we like to show off. But the Holy Spirit gives us gifts to serve God. It's about honoring God, not ourselves.

**Ask:** • Pick one thing on your bingo board. What would it look like to serve God with that talent, instead of serving yourself?

**Say:** It's nice to be good at things. But we can always find ways to serve God and point others to him using the things he made us good at.