

“The Big Picture”

From “All About Me to Others-Focused”.

Entrance Song – Worship Leader, Catechist & Dancers

" Endless Praise"

#1 > Tech Booth: Start **Entrance Song VIDEO** 5 minutes into the Mass.

KIDS STAND

Song/Video is played while kids are entering. Dance Leaders are dancing to the song on stage. Worship Leader & Catechist are welcoming kids, clapping and getting kids pumped up.

Welcome – Worship Leader

#2 > Tech Booth: "**Welcome**" IMAGE immediately after song ends.

KIDS SIT

Hi Kids! Welcome, were so glad you joined us for week 2 of our series “The Big Picture”. In this series, we look closely at our faith. There must be more to faith than Sunday Mass and the sacraments. But what is it? And how do I participate in it? Well, let’s find out together!

Before we get started... Let's meet some of our ministers who live out their faith by serving here in Time Travelers today. (Introduce yourself and the ministers.)

Do we have any one here for the first time today? (*Worship Leader acknowledges any kids who have come for the first time.*)

Let us pray...

Prayer - Worship Leader Leads group in prayer...

#3 >Tech Booth: **Prayer** IMAGE (has music) while Worship Leader prays.

KIDS SIT

Big Idea – Worship Leader

#5 >Tech: "**What's the big idea?**" VIDEO right after opening song ends.

#6 > Tech: **Big Idea** IMAGE immediately after above video.

KIDS SIT

Here is the video link with game instructions...

- https://player.vimeo.com/external/349675857.sd.mp4?s=2bdb7fe15965109b5c8a33905b34968784b96957&profile_id=164

It's time for our Big Idea! In this series we are talking about something so awesome and Huge - FAITH! Faith is trusting that Jesus can change us because of what He did for us. Your whole life will change, when you trust Jesus and decide to follow Him.

Last week we learned that God gives us rules to help us grow closer to Him, but it's not all about the rules because it's the relationship that is the most important to God. And that relationship should be the most important in our lives too. We can do that by praying and talking to Him every day. God knows everything but, He still wants us to tell Him about our day and what we are thinking.

Now, I hope that most of you already pray and talk to God on a regular basis maybe at bedtime or before school in the morning because it's an important part of our faith and we need make sure we are making prayer a priority every day. Many of your prayers are probably just about your day and asking God to help you with your problems which is great, but we need to take time when we pray to lift up the needs of other people and not just our own.

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I am sure there have been times when your friends have had a problem that they just can't solve and you aren't able to help them either. That's when it's important to ask God for help for our others. Let me show you.

GAME:

We are going to play a drawing game with partners. I need 4 volunteers.

On each team we will have one Artist and one Asker. I am going to show you the picture you will need to draw but I have all the markers.

Artists, you will have to tell the Asker which color you want.

Askers, your job is to come ask me for the right color, but wait, there is a catch.... You need to figure out a way to tell me or show me the right color without talking. The artists is not allowed to ask me for the color. (If they are having trouble coming up with a way to do this. Say, can you think of a way you could show me what color you need without talking? Do not have the markers out where they can just point to them.)

You will have 60 seconds to complete the picture. The winner is the team that completes most of the picture first. Artists, are you ready? Askers, are you ready?

Ready, set. Go! (Show them the picture. And play the game.)

After 60 seconds...Show the beautiful art...

Great Job Everyone!!! Today's winners are _____!

> #7 >Tech Booth: '**Bottom Line of the Week**' IMAGE

But we are all winners because we all learned how to ask for something for someone else. This is important because there will be people in your life who will have trouble asking for help. And that's why God wants you to ask for them even if it means you have to do a little more to make that happen. Praying for others is not always easy. We all can be easily distracted by our own lives and struggles and forget that others need help too. But even when you get busy, it's important to put others first and ourselves last.

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Maybe one of your friends is having some problems at home, talk with him or her and see if there is anything you can do to help. But you should also pray for your friend. If your older sister is having some problems at school, pray for her. If your parents are having some bad days at work, pray for them. Many times the people around us will have problems that we can't fix, but God can. We should care about our friends enough to talk with God for them and ask for His help. Just because we can't do anything about the problem isn't a reason to give up. God can help them.

Jesus wants us to be concerned about other people. He always thought about others and their needs. He also prayed for others, including His disciples and for us. When we pray for other people we are not focused on ourselves but on the needs of others. Then God will do amazing things.

Each time at mass we pray for the needs of others during the Universal prayer. We pray for the needs of the Church, for public leaders, for the salvation of the world, for those who are sick and for those who are no longer with us. These prayers are said after we say the share our faith or beliefs in the Apostles' Creed. The prayers during the Universal Prayer are called petitions because we are praying for others and their needs. After each petition, the reader says, "We pray to the Lord." And we all answer, "Lord, Hear our Prayer." This part of the mass happens when we are here together in Time Travelers. We would like to begin this year praying for others at the end of time here in Time Travelers so be thinking of someone you would like us to pray for share it with us after the message.

Prayer is so important because we will face trouble along with our friends. And even when it gets difficult, we should be confident, hopeful and patient. God always answers our prayers, it may not be the answer we want or the answer we expect, but He always answers. And regardless of how we want or expect God to answer, we need to pray for the people around us.

That reminds me of this week's bottom line:

To grow in our faith, we can put others first by praying for them.

Today's Bible story encourages us to pray for others. Let's check it out as we travel back in time...

Time Traveling - Catechist

#8 >Tech Booth: Play **Time Traveling** VIDEO

Bible Story –Catechist

KIDS SIT

#9 >Tech Booth: Show “**Bible Reading**” IMAGE

*Catechists: This week, the catechists will be mixing a few things together while reading the Bible story. Here is a video explaining how its done, you will find it just after the Big Idea part starting at 3:30 mark in the video. **We will have everything ready for you.***

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Catechist: Bible Story & Actions...

It's so important to pray for others because when we do, we change inside and that change overflows and is contagious. Let's check it out...

A Reading from the first letter of Paul to Timothy...

Paul's letter reads like a list of instructions. He begins by asking us to pray for ALL people. To help us understand these instructions we are going to use this bottle to represent you and your prayer life and how you should pray for others. God is all-powerful and all-knowing, but he has chosen us to help Him change the world through our prayers.

There are several different ways to pray for people. One way to pray for others is to pray for their needs. When we offer our prayer, he wants us to think of others too not just our own needs. Paul writes, “Ask God to help them.”

>> (Hold up yeast container labeled “Others’ needs.”) This jar represents our prayers for others’ needs. Paul is instructing us to add it to our prayer life every day but we are going to wait to add to our demonstration here until I tell you his other instructions.

>> (Add yeast to warm water. Continue to stir as you continue or ask a song leader to stir for you until it dissolves.)

Paul goes on to say that he wants us to “intercede on their behalf.” When you ask God to help others, you are praying intercession prayers. Intercession means asking for help for someone else. We use our relationship with God to pray for their lives. Like if we ask for God to help a friend get to know

Jesus or to help a friend control her anger.

>> (Pour in “Intercession” into the water bottle. - 1/2 cup 40 Volume hydrogen peroxide into the 16 oz. empty water bottle.)

There is one other way Paul mentions to pray for others. He wants us to “give thanks for them.” We should give thanks to God for the prayers He has answered. It’s always important to thank God especially when He has answered prayers.

>> (Add “Thanks” - 1 tbsp. dish soap- to water bottle and gently combine. Paul then us to pray this way for ALL men. That means we need to be praying for our parents, teachers, small group leaders, Father White, senators, congressman, and the President just to name a few.

When we pray, like Paul has instructed us,

>> (Add Yeast to bottle using a funnel.) we change and grow in our faith. And our prayers will help God to change our world for the better.

>> (“Prayer life” will explode and empty out over the bottle and onto the tray.) Your prayer life explodes when we pray for others, when we include them in our prayers, it helps our prayer life grow.

The Word of the Lord

Kids: Thanks Be to God

Message – Video (From Rebuilt)

KIDS SIT

#10 >Tech Booth: Play **Message (Rebuilt)** VIDEO

#11 >Tech Booth: **Message** IMAGE

Attention Worship Leader & Catechists. FYI... Here is a link to today's Message Video.

- https://player.vimeo.com/external/183300466.sd.mp4?s=6a7f89f4e0d5d669f0d31021a7323c288692726a&profile_id=164&download=1

Talk Time - Catechist

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Discussion Questions:

(Catechist will ask kids questions to help them apply the message to their lives. Leader should ask questions to the crowd, and when possible, have the Crowd Minister get kids (only 1 or 2 per question) to answer the questions in the crowd. and then letting them answer in the Mic.)

1. If your friend has a problem that he can't solve and you can't solve, what should you do?
2. Should you only pray for your friends when they are having problems
3. Name three things you can pray about for your friends.
4. Why do you think it's so important for us to pray for others?

Worship Song – Choreographer & Dancers

#4 >Tech Booth: **Worship Song** VIDEO

"This is Amazing Grace"

Challenge – Catechist

Use your prayer time to pray for others.

The Apostles' Creed Video

#13 >Tech booth: Play **Apostle's Creed** VIDEO.

Closing Prayer - Catechist

Crowd Minister choose 3 older kids in the crowd to go up and read the Prayers of the Faithful.

KIDS SIT

We will be Praying for others by using Prayers of the Faithful format.

We will have cards available for older kids to come of up on stage to read. Our Crowd ministers will choose them for you.

Catechists: If time is running out, please read them yourself.

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