



## Family Battle Plan

A discipleship pathway to assist parents in engaging their children on their journey of faith

### **Week 5: Church**

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

#### **Theme Verse**

*“Just as each one has received a gift, use it to serve others, as good stewards of the varied grace of God” (1 Peter 4:10).*

#### **Objective**

Churches set apart people to do certain tasks.

#### **Teach**

Everyone has certain talents. You might think that is not the case with you, but everyone has something special about them. Maybe you can make music, sing, or draw. Some people are good at working with their hands, building, and fixing things. Other people use their whole body in their skill to play sports or dance. What talents or skills are your favorite? *Spend some time prompting your child to think about the skills and tasks they enjoy.*

Just as God has given us talents and gifts to enjoy ourselves and serve others, Christians have talents that the Bible calls spiritual gifts. Our Scripture in 1 Peter 4:10 explains that we use these gifts to serve other people. As a follower of Jesus and a member of the church, we all do our part to serve God. The church is made up of the believers in Jesus all using their talents and gifts to serve each other and God. When believers are using their gifts, other people have the chance to learn more about God. More importantly, you can use your abilities and gifts to serve people anywhere and anytime. We always please Jesus when we are serving other people.

#### **Discussion Questions**

1. Let's list some of the people we see serving other people during our day. (Help your child start a list. Some people may include people at school, teachers at church, a coach for sports or dance, etc.)

## **Play**

Third graders might have a hard time finding ways they can help adults. Draw a line on a piece of paper to separate it into two columns. On one side, help your child list their talents and skills. In the second column, align these skills with ways they can use these gifts to serve others.

## **Sing**

["We Are the Church"](#)

## **Live it Out**

As a child, it seems you are always told you are too young, or you need to wait until you are older for certain things. Serving others and the church is not one of those things! You can serve now! What are some ways you can use your talents and gifts to serve others right now? (Examples: Chores around the house, helping with younger siblings, helping your small group leader clean up after class, greeting with your parent before the Worship Service, etc.)

## **Closing Prayer**

God, thank You for giving me talents and gifts to serve You and others. Help me know what gifts You have given me and how I can use these to serve the Church.