



Thank-you stones for a great time

AT A GLANCE



Bible

Psalms 103:2



Topic

Giving thanks



Takeaway

I thank God for all the good things I have experienced



3 minutes



Object: an empty jar and lots of small stones



Preparation: 5 min



sitting in a circle



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic "Giving thanks". Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

½ min

Opening

Put the empty jar in the middle. Each child takes a few small stones.

1 min

Story

In the Bible a man says to himself: "I will praise God and not forget all the good he has done for me." He remembered all the lovely things God had given him – and said thank you.

1 min

Thought

Now we remember too: what was lovely at camp? For each lovely moment a child puts a stone into the jar and says: "Thank you, God, for ..." (e.g. the campfire, my friends, the game in the woods). Look how full the jar has become!

½ min

Question for all

What was the very best thing at camp for you?



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Prayer to read aloud

Dear God, thank you for the lovely time at camp. Thank you for everything we have experienced. Bring us home safely. Amen.



For leaders

- Keep it short: little children listen well for three to four minutes.
- Pass the object around – touching it helps understanding.
- Say the prayer line by line and let the children repeat it.



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