

Lesson on Luke 16:1-13

Little Things Matter

We're getting closer to Halloween, and I'm sure many of you are thinking about what costume you want to wear. But sometimes when you're out trick or treating, you come across a home that has a container of candy setting out. They do this because they're also out trick or treating. A lot of times the container will have candy bars in them and a sign that says please just take one. This is so everyone can get a candy bar.

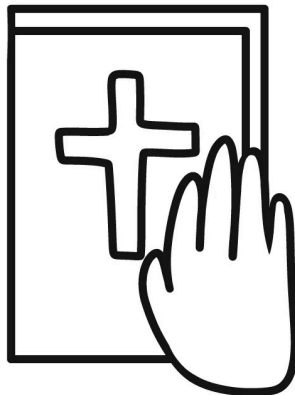
Now you come across one of these homes, but you like two kinds of candy bars. What do you do. The people that put the candy out is counting on you to be honest and just take one, but you really like both candy bars. Do you give in to temptation and take both, or do you keep yourself honest and take just one.

In today's Gospel Jesus told his disciples, " Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. " This means if people can trust you to be honest with little things then they know they can trust you with the big things. So what will you do about the candy bars. After all they are just a little thing?

Prayer

Dear Father, help us to remember what Jesus taught about honesty, and help us remember to be honest in all things big and small. In your name we pray. Amen

BE HONEST





Honesty is when you speak truth and your actions are truthful. Even if it's difficult, being honest is the right thing to do.

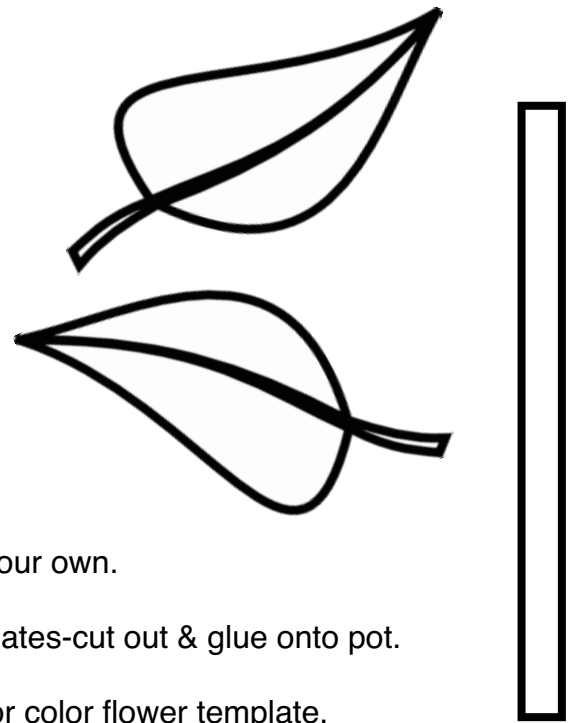
Craft Directions for Lesson, Little Things Matter

Materials

Cardstock
Printed templates
Craft moss or shredded paper
Green construction paper (optional)
Design paper (optional)
Picture (optional)
Scissors
Glue
Markers or crayons

Directions

Copy any of the templates you want to use, or just draw your own.
Color flower pot.
Cut out stems and leaves from green paper or color templates-cut out & glue onto pot.
Glue moss or shredded paper on top of pot.
Cut flower petals from design paper & glue flower shape or color flower template.
Glue flower onto top of stem.
Add picture in center of flower (optional).
Put in a frame and hang (optional).
Use as a reminder to always be honest and truthful even when it's difficult to do.
Even a little dishonesty is a big one!



Grow in honesty and
trustworthiness

