



## A GREATEFUL HEART WITH GOD

**MAIN OBJECTIVE:** Teach the children to pray with gratitude for who God is and what He Does for us

### DEVELOPMENT OF THE CLASS

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#### Initial Prayer

Make a short prayer with your child / children, related to today's topic. Remember to use a simple language, easy to understand.

**Sample of prayer:** Lord Jesus, we thank you for this day and for giving us the opportunity to learn from your Word, we ask you that every day we can understand that you are the creator of this whole world and that everything you do is good and perfect; that we always remember what we learn from you and we can practice it in our life always doing your will. Amen.

## 2

### Praise

Go to this link and praise the Lord with your kids <https://youtu.be/CNIwrow1XVg>

## 3

### Introduction Activity

Take a look at **ANNEX 1** with your child and show him, for how many things he can be thankful to God for.

**Activity 1:** ask him to draw or create with play doh clay 3 things that he thanks God for this day.

**Activity 2:** Print and cut out (or draw on a sheet of paper) the foods that you will find in **ANNEX 3** and hide them in different places without your child seeing, then make a basket with a cardboard plate (see **ANNEX 2**). If you don't have a cardboard plate you can make it out of a cardboard circle or draw it on a sheet of paper. Ask your child to find the hidden foods and stick them in the basket.

**THIS IS WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO SAY:** A long time ago, there were some people called Pilgrims. They trusted that God would give them enough food, especially during the long winters. During the harvest, they gathered a lot of food from the field. There were pumpkins, corn, and fruits like strawberries, grapes, and other nuts. They gathered everything they could; they even gathered meat and stored it for the winter.

# 4

## Bible teaching

Below, you will find the information you should know about today's class:

**Key verse:** **Psalm 138:1-3** "I will praise You with my whole heart; Before the gods I will sing praises to You. <sup>2</sup> I will worship toward Your holy temple, And praise Your name For Your loving kindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name. <sup>3</sup> In the day when I cried out, You answered me, And made me bold with strength in my soul."

LOOK WITH YOUR CHILDREN FOR THIS VERSE IN THE BIBLE, READ IT SEVERAL TIMES, AND IF POSSIBLE, MEMORIZE IT.

**Next, you will find the information you should know about today's class:**

Psalm 138 was written by David. It is an individual psalm, of wisdom and of gratitude to God.

### **I. THANKS AND ADORATION TO GOD FOR WHO HE IS.**

The psalmist is so amazed at God that he doesn't even mention his name because for him, there was no other God. For that reason, he prostrates himself before the Lord, praising him for his mercy and truth. When David's strength failed, God strengthened him.

## II. THE KINGS OF THE EARTH PRAISE THE LORD.

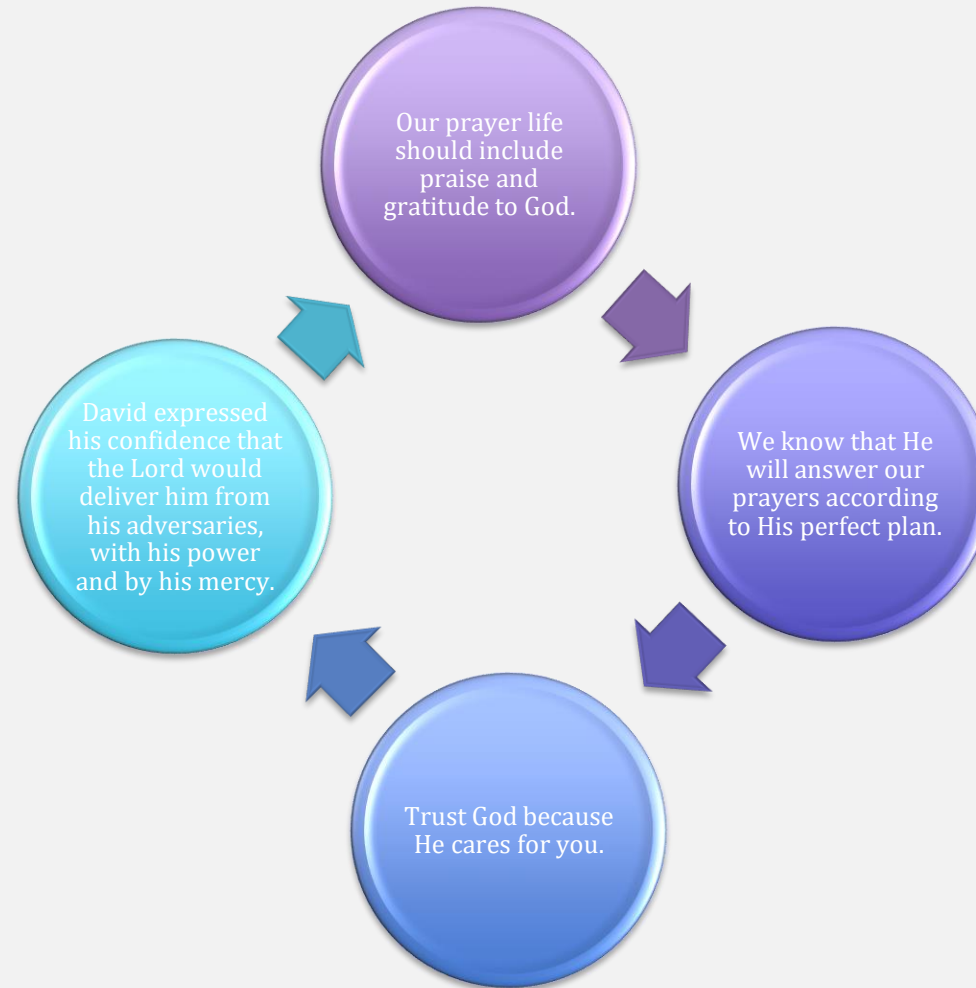
Revelation 21:24 "And the nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory to it." All nations, in their cultural diversity, will praise the Lord.

## III. TRUST IN GOD FOR HIS PROTECTION AND FOR THE ASSURANCE THAT HE WILL CONTINUE TO FULFILL HIS PURPOSE.

The psalmist expresses his full confidence that his Lord would save him in his time of trouble. That is why he affirms "your right hand will save me." The right hand of the Lord, which refers to his power and authority, is ready to come to his aid at the opportune moment. God will quicken and save you

Just as the psalmist ends with complete confidence that God will continue to work in his life, so will Christ do in us, perfecting his work day by day. God, who began that good work from our new birth through his gospel, will surely continue to do it until the Lord's second coming. Philippians 1: 6 "And I am sure that God, who began the good work in you, will continue it until it is completely finished on the day that Jesus Christ returns."

## APPLICATION



To develop the class, watch with your children the teacher's video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0migtJGyT7c>

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Check if your child has learned 🖐

## 6 years:

Ask your child orally or in writing:

- What did you learn today?
- Do you think God forgot to feed you?
- Can you remember the key verse?

## 7 years +:

Ask your child orally or in writing:

- What did you learn today?
- Do you think God forgot to feed you?
- Can you remember the key verse?
- How was David's attitude before God?

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## Aplication

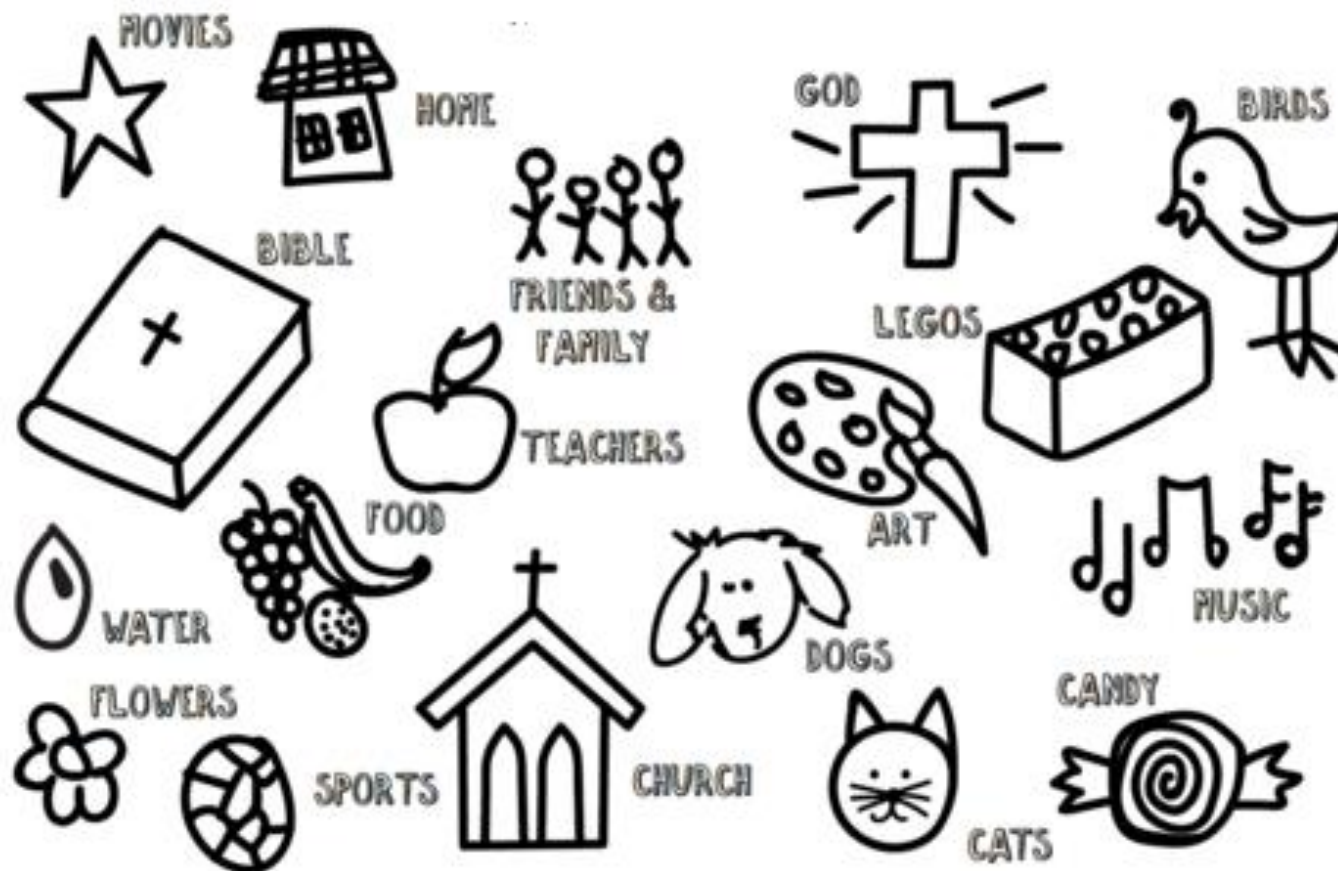
Print or draw the image in **ANNEX 4**, cut out the image and on the back, make a list with your child of things for which they have to thank God as a family, fold their hands on the dotted line and then pray together for them on Thanksgiving. Let your child be the one to say the prayer and help him if he has difficulty praying.

# 7

## Final Prayer

Make a short prayer with your children to end the class, thanking God for what they have learned and asking him that we can practice this every day.

# I'M THANKFUL FOR...





## INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE A BASKET USING A CARDBOARD PLATE



**STEP 1:**  
Fold the plate down the center, then fold the other part in the middle to create four equal parts as in the drawing above.



**STEP 2.**  
Flip the plate over and fold 1/2 cm of the alternate sides, as shown in the figure above.



**Step 3.**  
Flip the plate over again and raise the top and bottom as shown in the photo.



**Step 4.**  
Using a piece of construction paper, fold it three times to create a thick strap to use as a handle for the basket. Use the 8 1/2 "x 11" size on the paper. Then glue the strap to the plate using a stapler.

ANNEX 3

