

Family Activities

Write a "Thank You Prayer" for each day

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

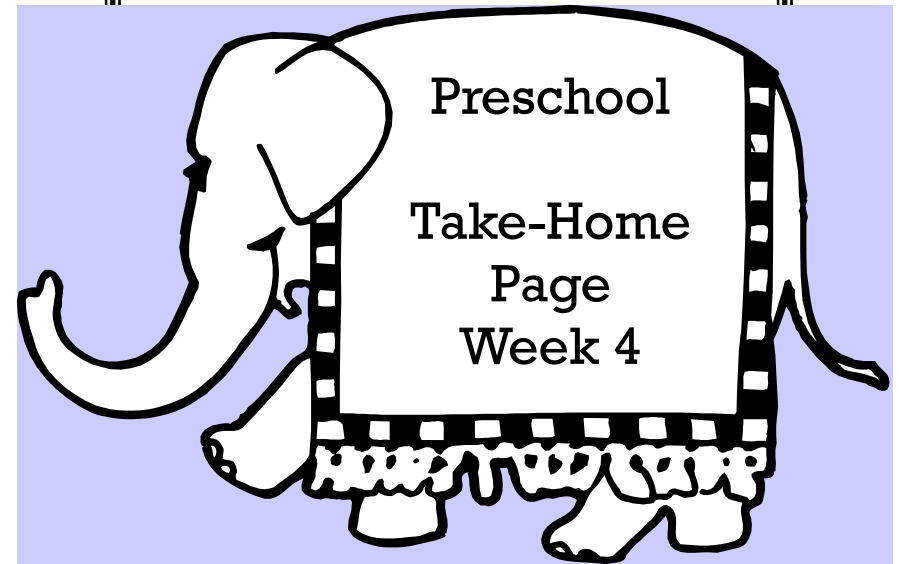
Friday

Saturday

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**Honor God by
Giving
Cheerfully**

**Key Bible Phrase:
Bring an offering to thank God.
1 Chronicles 16:29**

An Example of Giving

God's people had lived in the land He had given them for many years. They had built homes and cities. The king had built a palace for himself and his family. Now it was time to build a temple, a special place where the people could worship God.

Building materials were needed for the construction and decoration of the temple. King David gathered all the people together and explained the plan to build a wonderful temple for God. Then he announced that he was giving a gift to help build the temple. The people may have been amazed, because David gave a huge amount of gold and silver to be used in the temple. In today's money, his gift would be worth over 60 million dollars.

David set an example by his own gift. Then he invited the people to give. King David knew most people could not give as rich an offering as he had made. He also knew that the amount was not the most important thing. It was more important that each person be involved. The work was to be done for the glory of God. Each person could honor God by giving something.



The people followed David's example. Each family gave. They were not forced to give. They gave "willingly"; that is, because they wanted to give. They brought gold and silver, bronze and iron, and even precious stones as their offering to the Lord for His temple. Although they were giving up things that were valuable to them, they were not sad. There was an attitude of joy in their giving. They were excited about being a part of God's work. This was a time of praising God and joyful worship.

1 Chronicles 29:1-17

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Draw a "happy" or "sad" face beside each sentence, depending on how you would feel.

I dropped my ice cream cone.

My friend shared her crayons with me at school today.

I got a card in the mail today from my teacher.

Someone knocked over the block town I had worked on with my friend at school.

We had my favorite meal for supper.

I used some of my allowance to buy food for a needy family.

I pushed someone out of the swing on the playground at school.

I said "Thank you" to my mother for helping me with my schoolwork.