



### **READ LUKE 3:10-11**

## DAY 1

This week is called Extra Week. Take a look around your house and set aside items that you have extra of. Maybe you have two coats, two of the same toy, or lots of extra canned goods in the pantry. Recruit your whole family, but even if your brother or sister doesn't want to participate, you can do this alone! Just keep growing the pile, and then we'll tell you what to do with it on Day 4!

**THANK** God for providing more than what you need so that you can help people in need.

#### **READ PROVERBS 3:28**

DAY 2

What is number one on your Christmas list this year? Draw a picture of it to the right.

Can you imagine if your parents had bought your Christmas present in September, wrapped it, and put it in your room but wouldn't let you open it until Christmas? That would be torture, right?

If you have the means to help someone who needs it, don't wait! Don't wait for someone else to step up to help them. Don't make someone wait while you have more than you need. Christmas can be every day when you're taking initiative!

**ASK** God to show you who you can help TODAY!

#### **READ JOHN 13:12-15**

DAY 3

Take off your shoes and inspect your feet. Maybe even sniff them if you dare. How would you feel about someone else washing them? Or, even more extreme, how would you feel about washing someone else's dirty feet? It sounds pretty gross, doesn't it? But that's exactly what Jesus did for His friends. He knew they needed not just a king, but a Savior who would wash them and clean them from their sins. If the Savior of the world can serve others so humbly, we certainly can help others too! Grab a sheet of paper and trace your foot on it. Cut it out and hang it up to remind yourself this week that you should help others in need.

LISTEN for the needs of others that you can help meet, and then get to it!

## **READ 1 JOHN 3:16-18**

DAY 4

It's the end of Extra Week! Hopefully all week long you've been collecting the extra things you have around the house, but it's not too late if you need to play catch up. Go through the pile of extra things with a parent and get their permission to donate some or all of what you've collected to someone in need. Be sure and tell the person or organization why you are donating—that God's love for you makes you want to share that love with others!

P.S. For "extra" credit, consider creating a spot around the house where everyone can put their extra things going forward, and every time the pile gets big, donate again!

**KNOW** that your initiative can make someone's life better!

# DON'T WAIT FOR SOMEONE ELSE TO HELP PEOPLE IN NEED.