



TUPTON MOORLAND TEAM



Children's Worship



A Getting Ready Prayer

God, as we get ready to be with you,
Open our ears to listen to you
(touch your ears)

Open our minds to help us think about you.
(put your hands on your head)

Open our eyes to see you in the world around us.
(point to your eyes)

Open our hearts to love you more.
(cross your hands over your chest)
And open our hands to help each other.
(open out arms and hands wide)

Amen.

Time to think...

- ✚ I wonder, do you watch Britain's Got Talent?
- ✚ Every year, contestants of all ages audition to go on the televised contest with whatever talent they wish to demonstrate.
- ✚ Many on the show are incredibly talented.
- ✚ It takes a huge amount of confidence and self-belief to perform in front of the judges and a huge live audience.

Sunday 15th November Parable of the Talents

Tell the story...

Here are ways you could do this:

- ✚ Read Matthew 25: 14-30 in a children's Bible.
- ✚ Watch the story on...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aJ1WZjQZDW4>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TVetd67zGZs>

Talk Together...

- ✚ Did you know that the word talent had more than one meaning?
- ✚ In Jesus's day, a talent was also a very large amount of money.
- ✚ In today's Gospel Jesus tells a story about a master going on a long journey. He gives his servants some money - this was something new for these servants, to be asked and trusted to take care of something so huge. But the master knew his servants had the skills to be trusted with his talents.
- ✚ So what did the servants do with these talents?
- ✚ The first two servants used their talents well and made a profit.
- ✚ However, the third servant was so scared that he might do something wrong, he buried the talent so no one could find it. The master was not impressed!
- ✚ It's pretty clever how Jesus uses talents in this parable, because God gives us talents in the form of abilities; just like those talents we see in Britain's Got Talent.
- ✚ God made some people to be amazing singers, so they could worship and lead others in that worship.
- ✚ He made some people good listeners so they could listen to the needs and struggles of others and help them.
- ✚ He made some people strong or good with tools, so they could lend a helping hand to those that needed it, just like Jesus did.
- ✚ God gave all of us talents, but they aren't all the same.
- ✚ Even though they are different, they aren't better or worse than each other.
- ✚ God just wants to see us use them instead of hiding them.
- ✚ That's why He gave them to us!
- ✚ He wants us to use those talents to bring more people to him and to grow His kingdom.
- ✚ It can be as simple as reading someone else a story or helping them pick up something they dropped.
- ✚ Remember that it doesn't have to be big, it just has to be for God.

Sing Together... (or listen)

- ✚ Thankful

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Erok8_xBw&t=44s

Make Together...

- ✚ Use a clean jar, cardboard, paper, pens, paints, paper plate/bowl, tissue paper, string, foam, magazines, newspapers, lollipop sticks, sticks, wool, toilet roll tubes or whatever you have in the house to make...
- ✚ Make a talent's jar... cut out some circles for coins and write your talents on them, decorate a jar then put them in. As you put them in think/talk about how you could use that talent to serve others and God... when you have used that talent take the coin out...



- ✚ Or just write a list of your talents and how you can use them...

I can use MY TALENT!

One of my talents is:



I can use it to:



- ✚ Make a sloth and write the memory verse on it to remind you to use your talents and not be lazy.



Build together...

- ✚ Using Lego or any other building bricks make a tower of bricks showing your talents. Each time you show/use your talent this week take a brick off the tower.



Remember together... (memory verse)

"Well done, good and faithful servant!"
- Matthew 25:23

Pray Together...

Dear Father,
Help us to use the talents that you have given us
to be what you intended for us to be.
Help us to use one of our talent's this week to grow your kingdom.
In Jesus' name, we pray.
Amen.

A Different Way to Pray...

- ✚ This week is Anti-Bullying week (WB 16.11.2020)
- ✚ As part of Anti-Bullying week, everyone is being encouraged to wear odd socks one day in the week . It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality, talents and what makes us all unique! But have you ever thought about using socks to pray? Here's how;
 - Take a pair of colourful patterned socks, for example stripy socks.
 - Find a quiet spot and if you have the socks, put them on.
 - Look at the colours and reflect that it is wonderful that God loves everyone; however people express themselves and celebrate individuality.
 - Use each colour/stripe to help you pray for different things like; other people, help with something, saying sorry, saying thank you.



Don't forget...

- ✚ Whatever you create share it on our churches FB pages; tag us in so everyone can see. Turton Moorland Team Page @TMOTP (FB)
- ✚ For more activities and links go to our Turton Moorland Team website - Children's Resources - <https://turtonmoorlandteam.co.uk/turton-youth-church/#childrens-resources>