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Idea 1:

Theme/Lesson: Kids Fitting in God's Kingdom

Your objectives in this lesson:

- a.) Students will understand how important they are in the kingdom of heaven
- b.) Students will see how their acts of service to others fit into God's kingdom.

Materials needed:

Puzzle piece paper per student, coloring supplies

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Matthew 18:2-6

2He called a little child and had him stand among them. **3**And he said: "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. **4**Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. **5**."And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me. **6**But if anyone causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a large millstone hung around his neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea.

Matthew 19 - Jesus Blesses Little Children

¹³Then some children were brought to Him so that He might lay His hands on them and pray; and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴But Jesus said, "Let the children alone, and do not hinder them from coming to Me; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

¹⁵After laying His hands on them, He departed from there.

We read the story of the little children coming to Jesus. We did a lesson about how children are important in the kingdom of heaven as well. I made a puzzle and had each child draw a picture of them doing something to serve or help someone. We put the puzzle together and I titled it, "Kids Fitting in God's Kingdom."