

SOUTHVILLE CRECHE - LITTLE WARRIORS

THE PERSISTENT WIDOW

21.06.20 Session Aim:

To help the children to understand that they should be persistent in prayer.

Bible Verses to CHECK OUT!

Luke 11:5-10

VIDEO STORY:

- Watch the YouTube video - Follow Me Parable Persistent Widow

ACTIVITY: DRAMA

- YOU WILL NEED:

Two blankets and some bread

Explain that this is one of the stories that Jesus told. In Jesus' day, poor people lived in one-room houses, and at night time everyone slept on mats on the floor together. If one person got up, everyone was disturbed – a bit like when you sleep in a tent.

Prepare for the story by laying out one of the blankets. Lay on the blanket. Say that the family are all ready to sleep – they are very snug!

Jesus said – Suppose you and your family are all in bed? A neighbour comes knocking at the door, saying, "I have visitors and I need bread! Can you give me some bread?"

(Choose someone to be the neighbour, stand next to the blanket and repeat the words.)

What do you think the family will answer?
(Let the child/children make suggestions)

They will say, "Go away! We are all in bed and it's too much trouble to get up!"
(The family in the bed should repeat this sentence.)

But the neighbour knocks again. And asks again, "Can you give me some bread?" "No!" says they all say, "It's too much trouble."

So, the neighbour knocks again. "Go away!" they say, "I can't be bothered to get up!"

But in the end, they get fed up of the knocking and get up and give their neighbour some bread.

Jesus was talking about prayer – He wants us to keep praying and not give up, because God always answers, it is just that sometimes we have to wait!

- **WHAT'S THE POINT?** To act out the parable of the persistent widow.

PRAYER:

Dear God,

Thank you that I can pray to you and that nothing is too big or too small for you.

(Some suggestions)

- Please help me with _____
- Please help _____ to feel better.

Thank you that you listen when I pray.

Amen