

ACTIVITY #1 – MADE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

WHAT YOU NEED: “Made to Make a Difference” Activity Pages and markers

WHAT YOU DO:

- Talk about Timothy and what kids learned about him in Large Group:
 - Who was Timothy? (*A follower of Jesus who came to know about him through the teachings of Paul in Lystra*)
 - What did he do? (*He became the leader of the church in Ephesus at a young age; He followed God, faithfully preaching to others about Jesus.*)
 - How did Timothy make a difference? (*He was faithful to tell others about Jesus.*)
- Give each kid a “Made to Make a Difference” Activity Page.
- Select a volunteer to read the verse in the center of the page aloud. Talk about who said these words (*Paul*) to Timothy and why he said them (*To encourage Timothy that he could lead, no matter his age*).
- Encourage the kids to write down words or phrases that describe them to others. They can include their likes, things they’re good at, things they like to do in their free time, talents or skills they have, etc. Encourage them to create a sort of “All About Me” page around the verse.
- If time allows, let the kids share a few of things they’ve written down and talk about how one of the things they shared could lead to making a difference in the world around them.

WHAT YOU SAY:

You guys are so creative! I love reading what you’ve written. It is true that **[Bottom Line] God made me to make a difference.** If you’re great at soccer, maybe you could gather some friends in your neighborhood for a game and include the new kid that doesn’t know anyone. If you love to bake, maybe you could bake some cookies for a friend who is sad. There are SO many ways you could choose to make a difference. Remember, God made you special, and He loves you. But He wants you to use all those wonderful, amazing, unique things to make a difference and to help others see that God made and loves them too. Even though Timothy was young, he still used the things he knew and the skills he had to tell others about Jesus.