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Activity 1: "Gideon's Call" Role Play

Instructions:

- Students will act out the story of Gideon being called by God from Judges 6:11-16.
- Assign roles: Gideon, Angel of the Lord, God, Narrator.

Roles:

- Gideon: Respond to the Angel's message.
- Angel of the Lord: Deliver God's message to Gideon.
- God: Communicate with Gideon directly.
- Narrator: Read a brief summary to set the scene and guide the story.

Discussion Prompts:

1. How do you think Gideon felt when he was chosen by God?
2. Why do you think God chose Gideon even though he was afraid?
3. How can you relate to Gideon's feelings?

Participation:

- Rotate roles to ensure everyone has a chance to act.
- After the role play, each student shares their thoughts on responding to a challenge they felt unready for.

Activity 2: "Gideon's Test" Craft and Discussion

Instructions:

- Create a simple craft of Gideon's fleece test using cotton balls and construction paper.
- Reenact Gideon's test from Judges 6:36-40.

Roles:

- Instructor: Guide students through the craft.
- Gideon: Narrate what Gideon asked God to do.

Discussion Prompts:

1. Why did Gideon test God with the fleece?
2. Have you ever needed more confidence in doing something difficult?

Participation:

- Each child creates and personalizes their craft to represent Gideon's fleece.
- Share a moment when they asked for help to make a big decision.

Activity 3: "Gideon's Army" Group Strategy Game

Instructions:

- Simulate the selection of Gideon's army using a fun game.
- Have different "trials" like balancing books, hopping on one foot, etc., inspired by the way Gideon's army was chosen.

Roles:

- Leader: Explain and oversee the game.
- Participants: Engage in "trials".

Discussion Prompts:

1. Why was it important for Gideon to have a smaller army?
2. How can working with a few people be powerful?

Participation:

- Each child participates in the trials.
- Discuss in small groups how teamwork is important and share personal teamwork experiences.