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Activity 1: Role-Playing the Story

Instructions:

- Divide the students into small groups of 5-6.
- Assign roles to each student: Nathan, David, the rich man, the poor man, the traveler, and a narrator.
- Read aloud or summarize '2 Samuel 12:1-9' to the group.
- Have the group act out the story, with each student playing their assigned role.

Roles:

- Nathan: Narrates God's message and tells the parable.
- David: Listens and reacts to Nathan's message.
- Rich Man: Pretends to take the poor man's lamb.
- Poor Man: Acts out feeling sad about losing the lamb.
- Traveler: Pretends to be the guest in the story.
- Narrator: Helps guide the group through the story, reading any missing parts.

Discussion Prompts:

- How did each character feel during the story?
- Why do you think Nathan told a story instead of speaking directly?
- How did David react to the story, and what can we learn from his reaction?

Participation:

- Every student should participate in both the acting and the discussion.
- Encourage shy students by starting with simpler roles and asking them open-ended questions to share their thoughts.

Activity 2: Creating an Illustrated Storybook

Instructions:

- Divide the class into groups of 4-5.
- Each group is assigned a different part of '2 Samuel 12:1-15'.
- Create an illustrated page for their part of the story.
- Present their page in sequence to create a class storybook.

Roles:

- Illustrator: Draws pictures for the assigned story part.
- Writer: Writes a short paragraph summary for the page.
- Presenter: Shares the page with the class.
- Designer: Organizes content on the page and chooses colors.
- Timekeeper: Ensures the group completes their work in the allotted time.

Discussion Prompts:

- What was the main message of the story?
- How did this event change David?
- What lessons can we apply to our own lives?

Participation:

- Rotate roles if doing multiple pages.
- Encourage collaborative efforts in drawing and writing.
- Display the finished storybook in the classroom.

Activity 3: Parable Puzzle

Instructions:

- Split into groups of 6.
- Jumble a set of sentences summarizing '2 Samuel 12:1-14'.
- Have each group work to put the sentences in the correct order.

Roles:

- Coordinator: Oversees group collaboration, ensuring everyone has a voice.
- Reader: Reads each sentence aloud to the group.
- Organizer: Moves and places sentences in order.
- Checker: Verifies the final sequence with the class.
- Recorder: Writes down the final order.
- Informer: Shares findings with the teacher.

Discussion Prompts:

- What is the importance of the sequence in Nathan's parable?
- How did putting the story in order help you understand it more?
- Why do you think God sent Nathan to talk to David?

Participation:

- Ensure each student has a turn in arranging and discussing the sentences.
- Offer encouragement and hints if students struggle with ordering.
- Encourage groups to discuss and agree on the sequence before finalizing.