

Lesson 3 | Being Content with Allah's Blessings | Blessings Jar

Method 1

Supplies: 1 large mason jar, 1 ribbon, 1 2"x3" piece of coloured paper for each student, 1 tag (provided below)

Directions:

- 1) Discuss the topic of blessings and focus on the quote from Imam Ali "If what you want will not happen, then want what will happen." Analyse the picture below with your students and discuss the various possibilities where God would take away something they love (e.g. a toy, game, vacation) only to receive something greater.
- 2) Give each student a piece of paper. Each student will write one personal experience where they have been upset about not getting something but happier in the end.
- 3) Fold each paper with personal blessing and place it in the jar. Close the jar and tie the ribbon on the neck. Add the date, punch a hole, and attach the tag to the ribbon. *

Method 2

Supplies per student: 1 large mason jar, 1 ribbon, 5 2"x3" piece of coloured paper, 1 tag (provided below)

Directions:

- 1) Discuss the topic of blessings and focus on the quote from Imam Ali "If what you want will not happen, then want what will happen." Analyse the picture below with your students and discuss the various possibilities/scenarios that God would take away something they love (e.g. a toy, game, vacation) only to receive something greater.
- 2) Students list 1 of these sorts of blessings per piece of paper.
- 3) Fold each paper with personal blessing and place it in the jar. Close the jar and tie the ribbon on the neck. Add the date, punch a hole, and attach the tag to the ribbon. *
- 4) Students are to take the jar home to continue their blessing jar with their families.

*You may choose to decorate the jar differently.

Jar Tag

