

## Preschool + Elementary Activity: Turning Our Trash Into Treasure



### What You'll Need:

- a Bible,
- some type of cardboard tube (toilet paper or paper towel tubes work well),
- markers,
- duct tape,
- and bottle caps or soda can tabs

**Read aloud 2 Corinthians 5:15-17** Christ died for everyone. He died so that those who live should not live for themselves anymore. They should live for Christ. He died for them and was raised again. So from now on we don't look at anyone the way the world does. At one time we looked at Christ in that way. But we don't anymore. When anyone lives in Christ, the new creation has come. The old is gone! The new is here!

Give each child a paper towel tube and a few bottle caps or soda can tabs.

**Say:** Your supplies are things that normally get thrown away. But we're going to make something out of them to remember how God turns bad to good in us.

First, have kids use markers to decorate their tubes. Seal one end with duct tape, and then have kids put their bottle caps and soda can tabs inside. Tape the other end securely.

Have kids shake their instruments as you **say:** When we feel all used up, like garbage, we can remember that God renews our spirits. This year, when you're in a bad mood, shake your instrument and remember that God is renewing you into a treasure.