



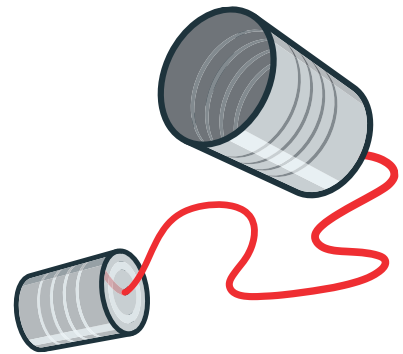
This gospel reminds us that we don't have to use big, fancy words to pray. God loves us and he just wants to spend time with us.

This tin can / paper cup phone activity helps kids to remember that, they don't necessarily need a fancy phone to talk to their friends. Likewise, they don't need big, fancy words to talk to God.

Because this activity also requires kids to be still and quiet to listen to their friends, it can also be a great way to help them practice listening to God through stillness and silence.

You will need:

- 2 paper cups or 2 empty cans - paper cups are easy to put holes in. Make sure you have enough for all the children to have a turn
- a sharp pencil or sewing needle to help poke holes in the base of the cups/cans
- lengths of wool or string - kitchen string works well



Instructions:

1. Poke a small hole in the base of each cup.
2. Thread the string through each cup and tie knots at each end to stop it pulling through the cup. You can use a paper clip or washer to hold the string in place.
3. In pairs, the children take a 'telephone' and hold the cups at a distance so that the string is taut.
4. Taking turns, one person talks quietly into the cup while the other puts the cup to their ear and listens.

