

## Blankies and Mommies and So Much More...

### Children's Sermon

**Props needed:** A child's blanket and a CWS wool or lightweight blanket (or an 'adult' blanket)

**Leader:** When I say the word blanket, what comes to mind?

*(Hold up the CWS blanket for kids to see. Allow children to answer. Some children might say something warm, fuzzy, or a soft thing.)*

**Leader:** What about when I say, "blankie"?

*(Hold up child's blanket for kids to see. Allow answers. Some children might talk about an old blankie they used to carry around, etc.)*

**Leader:** What do you think of when I say "mother" or "mommy"?

*(Allow answers. Some children might say my mommy loves me and helps me.)*

**Leader:** Does your mom have a warm, soft blanket that she keeps around the house? Maybe at the foot of her bed or on the couch to use as a lap blanket?

*(Allow answers. Some children might say, my mommy keeps a blanket on the couch during the winter because she always gets cold, etc.)*

**Leader:** Have you ever snuggled with your mommy when she is using her blanket?

*(Allow answers. Some children might say we snuggle every night, etc.)*

**Leader:** Sometimes mommies aren't home at night, because they might be working or visiting family or for various other reasons. Do any of you have mommies that have taken a trip away overnight?

*(Allow answers. Some children might say, "my mom went away one time"...or "my mommy is always home.")*

**Leader:** Have you ever used your mom's blanket when she was gone?

*(Allow answers. Some children might say, I sit where my mom sits on the couch and snuggle with the blanket.)*

**Leader:** *(holding blanket)* Sometimes wrapping a blanket around your arms, and holding it close, is like having your mom's arms bringing you comfort, care and love. And maybe you don't feel so scared or alone when you have her blanket with you.



**CWS**  
Church World Service

**Leader:** Did you know that there are children all over the U.S. and around the world who don't have a safe place to live. Some don't have blankets to keep them warm during the cold nights. Our church wants to help these children and their families to feel comfort, care and love – just like you feel when you wrapped your mom's blanket around yourself.

**Leader:** For Mother's Day this year, in honor of our mommies, we will raise funds to provide blankets to show others that someone is there for them, someone cares about them. For only \$10 we can provide a blanket that brings warmth and compassion.

**Leader:** How do you think the children who receive our blankets will feel when they wrap this blanket around their shoulders or snuggle under it?  
*(Allow answers.)*

**Leader:** You bet! What a wonderful gift to our mothers to make these donations so children and mommies around the world can have blankets to help keep them warm.