



WEEK ONE – MAY 2020 – K3

Bible Story: *Send Me on My Way • Matthew 28:16-20; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:1-11*

Bottom Line: *Keep going even when it seems impossible.*

Memory Verse: *“Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don’t give up.” Galatians 6:9 (NirV)*

Life App: *Determination—Deciding it’s worth it to finish what you started*

Basic Truth: *I can trust God no matter what*

Summary: We start off the month in Matthew 28:16–20, Luke 24:50–53, and Acts 1:1–11 as we help kids discover more about the final moments of Jesus’ life on earth. Before He went back to His Father, Jesus gave His disciples a huge mission: tell the world about Him. The message of Jesus was for everyone, and it was their job to get the word out.

OPENING DISCUSSION

1. Icebreakers / Zoom SetUp

What to ask:

- 2 people share: What has been the best thing you have done this week?
- 2 people share: What's one thing you miss being able to do right now?
- Leader share: What is one thing you look forward to during this Zoom call?
- Here are some good questions to ask as well:
 - Would you rather have a lifetime supply of ice cream or a lifetime supply of pizza?
 - If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?
 - What's your favorite animal?
 - Describe your room at home.
 - What's the best gift you've ever been given?
 - What's the best gift you've ever given to someone else?
 - What would you like to do when you grow up?
 - What is your middle name?
 - What did you most recently watch on a screen (TV, computer, phone, etc.)?

What to expect:

- Leader: Set healthy standards for what this group time will look like, how much time you'll spend just catching up, and how much time you'll be engaged with the discussion questions -- NOTE: you want to prompt them to watch the weekend message BEFORE this call so they understand what is being talked about.

Recap the Weekend:

- Leader: Recap the story
- ***Consider having one of your the kids retell the story, then you can fill in the gaps

WEEKLY OVERVIEW

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Bottom Line: *Keep going even when it seems impossible. A lot can seem impossible to a kid. From*

learning to tie their shoes to reading paragraphs out loud in class to memorizing those multiplication facts, kids will face all sorts of moments when they feel like everything is too hard, too big, or too long to finish. But that's where God comes in. We pray that kids will start to understand that no matter what they face—impossible or not—they can trust God to help them through it.

SMALL GROUP

1. You've Got To Move It

[Memory Verse Activity]

Connect: an activity that invites kids to share with others and build on their understanding

What You Need: Bibles

What You Do:

- Help kids look up Galatians 6:9 in their Bibles
- Say the verse together a few times.
- Help kids come up with appropriate motions for the verse.
- Point out key words such as “not,” “tired,” and “time,” that can easily be translated into motions.
- Say the verse with the motions several times.

What You Say:

*“You kept going and didn't give up when you were finding the verse, coming up with the motions, and REMEMBERING the motions! God wants us to keep going no matter what. But you know what? We don't have to do it all on our own. God will help us! He helps us **[Bottom Line] keep going even when it seems impossible.**”*

2. Prayer Activity

[Prayer Activity]

Connect: an activity that invites kids to share with others and build on their understanding

What You Need: N/A

What You Do:

- Kids take turns praying the Bottom Line for the person on their left: “God, help [kid's name] keep going even when it seems impossible.”
- Prompt kids with the words as needed, or say a phrase and let them repeat it.
- Close with the prayer below.

What You Say:

*“God, thank You so much for helping us. We know You can do anything, and You can help us **[Bottom Line] keep going even when it seems impossible.** You’re so awesome, God! Amen.”*