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TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Fire on the Mountain

Elijah and the Prophets of Baal 1 Kings 18:16-46

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

God can do the impossible.

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Psalm 27:13, NIV

MONTHLY LIFE APP

Confidence—Learning to see yourself the way God sees you

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.

PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

See the **Getting Ready** pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you'll need for today. In the **Prelude** folder of your curriculum, you'll find a variety of other resources to help you prepare.

SMALL GROUP

15 MIN

LARGE GROUP

35

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- MONTHLY CHALLENGE CONFIIDENCE
- NEXT WEEK -- ENJOY CHURCH AT HOME with your families for 4th OF JULY!!

WORSHIP:

- THERE'S NOTHING THAT OUR GOD CAN'T DO
- WAY MAKER

SMALL GROUP

25



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PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

25 MINUTES

10 MINUTES

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LARGE GROUP

ENGAGE KIDS' HEARTS THROUGH A DYNAMIC AND INTERACTIVE BIBLE STORY, WORSHIP, AND PRAYER EXPERIENCE IN A LARGE GROUP SETTING.

AUDIO: PLAY HIGH-ENERGY MUSIC AS KIDS ENTER.

SLIDE: THEME

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME LOOP

WORSHIP

Worship Leaders enter

AUDIO: THERE'S NOTHING THAT OUR GOD CAN'T DO

AUDIO: WAY MAKER

Host enters.

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): COUNTDOWN (30- OR 60-SECOND

VERSION)

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME

OPENER

HOST: "Hi, everyone! I'm so glad you're here at [your environment's name]. All summer long we're talking about what it means to 'get in the mix' and live with confidence.

SLIDE: LIFE APP

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME TRANSITION TO LIFE APP

"Confidence is learning to see yourself the way God sees you.

SLIDE: THEME

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): LIFE APP TRANSITION TO THEME

"God thinks you're super-special, super-cool, and super-amazing! When you remember how much God loves you, that will help you live with confidence—no matter what happens around you.

"We've done a lot of games with music this month, and I just realized I don't know what your favorite songs are. Come to think of it, I haven't told you mine, either! So, on the count of three, let's all just shout out our favorite song. Here we go . . . one . . . two . . . three! (Shout out your favorite song.) Whoa! Those are some seriously great tunes!





PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

25 MINUTES 10 MINUTES

"Well, I'm glad I got you thinking about your favorite music, because I need your help for today's game. We're playing limbo . . . but YOU get to decide the playlist!

The two adult volunteers enter and get into place with the limbo stick.

"You'll play limbo like normal, bending down like this to get under the limbo stick. (Demonstrate.) But every so often, I'll stop the music and call out two great songs. I'll ask you to vote for your favorite. Whichever song gets more applause and cheering will be the winner. I bet our playlist will give us the confidence we need to limbo in style!

"Go ahead and line up for me, right here.

Have the kids line up in front of the limbo stick.

"First up, we have [song #1] and [song #2]. If you want [song #1], let me hear you cheer. (Pause.) If you want [song #2], let me hear you. (Pause.) All right—we're starting with [song name].

"Are you ready? (Pause.) Well, then let's press play. Let's limbo!

AUDIO: SONG #1 (BASED ON THE AUDIENCE'S CHOICE)

Play limbo, but don't worry too much about whether the kids "make it" or not. Just let them have fun and focus on the music.

Every 30 seconds or so, stop the music and quickly give the kids another two songs to choose from. If you can't determine a winning song from the applause, just pick one randomly.

AUDIO: OTHER SONGS (BASED ON THE AUDIENCE'S CHOICE)

Play as long as time allows, making sure every kid has at least one turn to go under the stick.

"That was super-fun—and what a great playlist! Thanks for helping us find some really awesome tunes today!

Now we'll hear an amazing story about a guy named Elijah who was full of confidence. In fact, he saw God do some AMAZING things.





PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

25 MINUTES

CLOSER

Host enters

HOST: "God is in control of ALL things. Not just some things. ALL things! Nothing is impossible for Him. Sometimes we don't always see it, but it's true!

"God was definitely in control of that showdown on the mountain between Elijah and King Ahab. It seemed impossible that Elijah's altar could burst into flames after it was covered with gallons of water. But sure enough, God brought the fire! Everyone could see that He's the true God—the One who's in charge of everything.

"And remember, Jesus is God's Son, and He performed miracles, too. He did things that seemed impossible, like walking on water . . . feeding thousands of people with one boy's meal . . . and, of course, when He died then came back to life!

"This week, I want you to remember this and say it over and over again.

SLIDE: BOTTOM LINE

"God can do the impossible.

"He really can!

"There might be some situations in your life that seem impossible, but you can always trust God and believe that He is with you. He is always in control. Sometimes He can be working in our lives in ways that we can't see—ways that we don't expect. It's true that we really can [Basic Truth] trust Him no matter what. We can put all our confidence in Him.

SLIDE: THEME BACKGROUND

PRAY

STORYTELLER: "God, thank You for being the God who can do the impossible! You were with Elijah that day, just like You're with us EVERY day! Help us always remember that **[Basic Truth]** we can trust you no matter what. Give us the confidence to take on the challenges we have to face in life, because we know You're with us. We love You, God, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

"You can head to Small Group now and talk about that some more. I'll see you later!"

Dismiss kids to their small groups.

AUDIO: PLAY HIGH-ENERGY MUSIC AS THE KIDS EXIT.

SLIDE: THEME

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME LOOP