

TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

You Say

God So Loved the World
John 3:16
(supporting: John 3:1-21)

TODAY'S KEY QUESTION

How does Jesus
matter in your life?

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

You can be confident
because God loves you.

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
MIN

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- MONTHLY CHALLENGE - CONFIDENCE
- Each grade share stories every week with your leaders of YOU showing confidence

WORSHIP:

- THE BEST IS YET TO COME (NEW TRACK)
- GOOD GRACE

SMALL GROUP

25
MIN

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 STUDENTS ENTER.

SLIDE: THEME

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME LOOP

WORSHIP

Worship Leaders enter

WORSHIP LEADER: "I've been waiting for this all week. I love celebrating God's amazing love with all of you! Let's make the most of these moments. Let's use our voices to sing these songs and celebrate the greatest gift of love that's ever been given. God loves us! Let's sing about it.

AUDIO: THE BEST IS YET TO COME

AUDIO: GOOD GRACE

Host enters . . .

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

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME

WELCOME

Host has lots of energy as he or she welcomes everyone to Mission. Host is relatable and inviting. Host can talk about something that happened culturally throughout the week like a big sports game, movie opening, a viral video on YouTube, etc. Host tells them how excited he or she is that they're there and briefly runs through what they can expect. This is especially helpful for first-time guests to make them feel like they know what's happening.

OPENER

HOST: "Hey, everyone! I am so pumped for another month here at Mission. This month we are going to press play and pump the jams around here . . . and it all starts with a fun game that tests your lyrical knowledge. I need two volunteers!"

Choose two volunteers. If you want to rotate new volunteers in after each round, that is an option.

“Alright, our game today requires a combination of memory and musical talent. *(To volunteers)* Are you glad you volunteered? In a moment, you will hear a clip from a famous Disney song. When the music stops, be the first to sing the next line. Sing it out loud and proud. Pretty simple, right?”

If neither of the volunteers is able to get the line, you can a) make up some multiple choice options for them on the spot, or open it up to the audience for help.

“Here is our first lyric!”

AUDIO: “LOVE IS AN OPEN DOOR” (START AT 0:27 / PAUSE AT 0:36)

Pause for answer.

“You think it’s [Insert Lyric]? Let’s find out!”

AUDIO: CONTINUE “LOVE IS AN OPEN DOOR”

“Great job! Here is our next lyric . . .”

AUDIO: “CAN YOU FEEL THE LOVE TONIGHT?” (START AT 1:17 / PAUSE AT 1:35)

Pause for answer.

“You think it’s [Insert Lyric]? Let’s find out!”

AUDIO: CONTINUE “CAN YOU FEEL THE LOVE TONIGHT?”

“Nailed it! Here is another . . .”

AUDIO: “PART OF YOUR WORLD” (START AT 1:27 / PAUSE AT 1:38)

Pause for answer.

“You think it’s [Insert Lyric]? Let’s find out!”

AUDIO: CONTINUE “PART OF YOUR WORLD”

“Great job! Let’s try one more . . .”

AUDIO: “I SEE THE LIGHT” (START AT 0:39 / PAUSE AT 0:53)

“You think it’s [Insert Lyric]? Let’s find out!”

AUDIO: CONTINUE “I SEE THE LIGHT”

“That was amazing! And I promise, on these next songs, you won’t have to guess the lines. Let’s stand up and worship together!”

APPLICATION

COMMUNICATOR: “You know, Nicodemus came to Jesus that night probably believing that he was right about a lot of things. And I’m guessing that conversation with Jesus turned his world upside down. But when we see how much God really loves us and that this is not because of what WE have done but rather what GOD has done, it should change everything for us.”

“We don’t know from this story in John’s Gospel what happened with Nicodemus after this conversation. But we do have a really good idea. You see, later on, when the Pharisees were all together discussing how to arrest Jesus, Nicodemus was the one who confidently spoke up and said that they should hear Jesus out before believing that He was guilty! He stuck up for Jesus. That’s pretty cool, right? And, after Jesus’ death on the cross, Nicodemus was there to help prepare Jesus’ body to be buried. He brought an expensive amount of spices and helped wrap Jesus and put Him in the tomb. This is really powerful. Nicodemus, who was told he could be born again by believing in Jesus, held the body of Jesus who died for him so that he could live forever.”

“And not just for Nicodemus, but for every single one of you, too.”

“Remember . . .”

“Because God loved so God gave and Whoever believes Lives forever!”

LANDING

COMMUNICATOR: “Today as you go to groups, think about this question:

SLIDE: KEY QUESTION

“How does Jesus matter in your life? In other words, how does truly seeing Jesus for who He really is give you confidence to live each day to the fullest? How does it help you deal with the struggles? The successes? If you’re not quite sure how to answer that question, don’t worry. You’ll have a chance to chat about that with your Small Group. Before you head out to your groups, let’s talk to God and thank God for sending Jesus to be our Savior. Let’s pray.”

Communicator leads group in a prayer related to what they just heard. After prayer, Communicator dismisses kids to Small Group.

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