

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

STORY

WORSHIP

GROUPS

HOME

PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION
15 MINUTES

MADE TO PLAY

an activity that encourages learning through following guidelines and/or working as a group



Before kids arrive, pray that you would have a great time together as you wrap up this month. Pray for each of you kids by name, asking God to give you special insight into their lives today.

JUST FOR FUN

WHAT YOU NEED: Offering container

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Inseparable

Nothing Can Separate
Us from God
Romans 8:38-39

KEY QUESTION

What are some things that are true about God?

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

God loves you no matter what.

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.
Philippians 1:6, NIV

MONTHLY LIFE APP

Confidence—Learning to see yourself the way God sees you

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WHAT YOU DO:

- Invite kids to place their offerings in the container.
- Ask kids to stand in a circle.
- In preparation for the game, ask each kid to choose a simple motion or sound that they can do quickly.
- They can do something simple such as wave or something silly like a snoring sound.
- If it works better for your group, use ideas from the list below and assign each kid a sound or gesture.
 - karate chop
 - "ta-da"
 - clap three times
 - "whoosh"
 - salute
 - bow (or curtsy)
 - stomp twice
 - wave
 - finger snap
 - "gulp"
- Begin by asking one kid to say their name then do their sound or motion.
- The kid to the right will repeat the first kid's name and action, then it continues around the circle as quickly as possible, each kid taking a turn repeating the name and action of the first kid.
- When it gets back to the first kid, everyone repeats the name and motion in unison.
- Start the process again but add in the next kid's name and motion to the cycle so that kids are now repeating two names and gestures.
- Continue until all the kids' names and motions are being recited by each kid as well as by the whole group at the end of each round.
- For variety, or if your group is small, add two actions per name to make it more of a challenge. Offer the option of using names of favorite singers or celebrities instead of their own.

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25 MINUTES

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an activity that invites kids to share and collaborate with others while growing their understanding



TAKE A SNAPSHOT

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Hand sanitizer, Skittles or die/colored game spinner

WHAT YOU DO:

- Provide hand sanitizer for kids to use prior to the game if they will be eating the candy.
- Give kids a snack-size package of Skittles candy.
- Refer to the color chart below as you invite kids to share.
- If you are opting to use a game spinner or dice, modify the options below to work with the specific colors on the spinner or numbers on the die.
 - Red: What do you love about God?
 - Orange: What do you wish everyone knew about God?
 - Yellow: What is something you know to be true about God?
 - Green: What's one thing that CAN'T separate us from God?
 - Purple: When do we feel like God isn't with us?
- Continue until all the kids have had a chance to answer at least a couple of their questions.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

Ask:

- Tell us something you believe is true about God. How does that belief show up in the way you live?
- If we believe that God loves us no matter what, how can that change how we live?
- We can't earn God's love by going to church, being good, smart, kind, cool, or any other way. So, what is God's love for us based on?
- How is God's love different from any other kind of love?

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an activity that creates space
for personal processing
and application



MAKE IT PERSONAL WITH PRAYER [PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

- Ask kids to name at least ten different emotions they felt this past week.
- If needed, prompt ideas by asking them to think of emojis they may have used in a text over the past few days (happy, sad, confused, angry, worried, afraid, surprised, excited, bored).
- Remind kids that no matter how we feel, we can know that God is with us. Our best days and worst can't change the fact that He is beside us all the time.
- Invite kids to take turns thanking God for His love. Encourage them to think of a specific way they see God's love at work in their life by saying something like, "I see Your love for me . . ."

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Dear God, thank You that Jesus died on the cross to save us from our sins. We know that when we believe in Jesus, we can have a relationship with You that will last forever. Thank You for making all of that possible because You love us. Amen."

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