



## TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

### BIBLE STORY

God's plans are always best.

**JOSEPH AND THE GRAIN**  
**GENESIS 41-45**

### MEMORY VERSE

"For I know the plans  
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says the Lord."

**JEREMIAH 29:11, NLT**

### KEY QUESTION

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### BOTTOM LINE

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### BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.

### 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

#### **SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction**

*Offer one or more of these activities as preschoolers arrive.*

Gathering Grain  
Food Golf  
What's for Dinner?

### LARGE GROUP

**20**  
MIN

#### **WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God**

#### **STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways**

"The Plans" and "Wonderfully Made"

Bible Story  
Prayer

### SMALL GROUP

**25**  
MIN

#### **GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect**

*Offer as many of these activities as your time, facilities, resources, and leadership allow.*

Puzzled Memory Verse  
Story Bag  
Roll the Die  
Grain Celebration  
Joseph's Turn-a-Cup Journey  
Journal and Prayer

### HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

Going Home  
Parent Cue Card (*print or email*)  
Parent Cue App



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

## WORSHIP

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at Jeremiah 29:11, NLT. You need a music player and this month's worship song, "The Plans," which is included in your monthly files. The dance moves video for "The Plans" is available on OrangeKidsMusic.com or in your media package if you subscribe. You also need "Wonderfully Made," which is available on the Amazing album on Apple Music®, Spotify®, and OrangKidsMusic.com. The dance moves video for this song is available at OrangeKidsMusic.com.

**WORSHIP LEADER:** "What's up, everyone? I'm so glad to see you today because it's worship time! We're talking about how God has plans for us. God loves us so much that God has plans for us! Tell me, **who has plans for you?**"

**CHILDREN AND WORSHIP LEADER:** "God has plans for me."

**WORSHIP LEADER:** "That's right! Sing this with me!"

*Lead children in singing "The Plans," this month's worship song.*

**"Who has plans for you?"**

**CHILDREN AND WORSHIP LEADER:** "God has plans for me."

**WORSHIP LEADER:** "Yes, the Bible teaches us that "'For I know (point to head) the plans I have for you," (march) says (hands to mouth) the Lord,' (point up) Jeremiah 29:11. (Open hands like a book.)"

*Lead the children to repeat the verse with the motions.*

"I love that verse. God has plans for me because God loves me. And God loves you, too! We are all different, but God made (point to different children) you and you and you and you and me—all of us—in a wonderful way. Let's sing this together."

*Lead children in singing "Wonderfully Made."*

**WORSHIP LEADER:** "Thanks for worshipping with me!"



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## INTRO SKETCH

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Plastic cup, two paper box lids, and an empty wrapping paper tube

*NOTE: If you do not have a large storytelling area, the Host can talk about the plans for the mini golf course without actually building it. The Host should hold up the supplies as they are talking to make sure children can see them.*

*Host enters with supplies as Worship Leader exits.*

**HOST:** "Hey, everybody! It's your friend, [your name]. I am planning my very own mini golf course."

*Set the supplies on the table.*

"I'm going to build it right here in the clubhouse."

*Hold up two box lids with a pathway between them, and then place on the floor.*

"I was thinking these box lids could make the path for the ball to follow. Oh! I can even draw a blue pond right here. That's a great plan!"

*Hold up the plastic cup on its side to demonstrate how the ball would go in.*

"This cup could be the hole that the ball goes in."

*Set the cup on its side at the end of the "path" between the box lids. Pick up the wrapping paper tube.*

"This wrapping paper tube can be my golf club! Pretty cool plan, right? I'm so excited! I'm going to go work a little more on my plans. See you later, friends!"

*Host exits with the supplies.*

## BIBLE STORY

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Bible, pillow, table, seven canned goods or boxes of cereal or other pantry items, and reusable shopping bags; *Optional Story Images*

**WHAT YOU DO:** Preset the table in the center of your storytelling area. Fill the reusable bags with pantry items and pillow then set them under the table.

*The storyteller enters, carrying a Bible.*

**STORYTELLER:** "Hi, friends! It's great to see you today. I have a true story to share with you straight from the Bible. Hold up the Bible for the children to see then lay it open on the table."

And remember, if you read it in the Bible, it's totally true! Last week, we talked about a man named Joseph. What



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was his name?"

**CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER:** "Joseph!"

**STORYTELLER:** "That's right! Joseph's dad gave him a very special coat, which made his brothers VERY mad! So they sent Joseph far away to work. Then Joseph was sent to jail for something he didn't even do!

"Do you think Joseph still trusted God even though it was hard? (Pause.) Yes, he did! And God's plans for Joseph weren't finished, yet.

*Pick up the pillow.*

"The king of Egypt, named Pharaoh, had a crazy dream, and he didn't know what it meant. Pharaoh heard that Joseph was very good at understanding dreams so he had him brought to the palace to talk to him.

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"Joseph was happy to talk to the king about his dream. Joseph listened to Pharaoh and God helped Joseph understand the dreams.

"Joseph told Pharaoh to save food for seven years because, after that, there would be seven years when NO food would grow. Pharaoh was SO happy that Joseph helped him that he put Joseph in charge!

*Pick up the shopping bag and place it on the table. Start pulling out each food item, one at a time as you count, to set on the table.*

"Joseph got to work saving food in Egypt for seven years. It was all part of God's plans. Let's count to seven together. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven!

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"Joseph saved up so much food during those seven years. And that was good because just like God said, the food stopped growing.

*(Option: Display Story Image W4 03)*

"And everyone needed food—including Joseph's family. Joseph had a BIG family with LOTS of brothers! And they didn't have any food.

"Who saved up all the food in Egypt? (Pause.) Yes, their brother Joseph! Joseph forgave his brothers for what they did to him, and he made sure everyone in his family had food.

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"Yay, Joseph! Joseph trusted God's plans for him even when it was hard. Let's cheer for Joseph. Say, 'Yay, Joseph!'"

**CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER:** "Yay, Joseph!"



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**STORYTELLER:** "And now, let's cheer for God because God loves us and has plans for us. Everyone say, 'Yay, God!'"

**CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER:** "Yay, God!"

**STORYTELLER:** "God had a good plan for Joseph and his family, and God has good plans for you and me, too. Tell me, **who has plans for you?**"

**CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER:** "**God has plans for me!**"

**STORYTELLER:** "You've got it! Let's bow our heads and close our eyes to talk to God."

## PRAYER

**STORYTELLER:** "God, You are awesome. We know that just like You had good plans for Joseph, You have good plans for us, too! Help us trust you, every day. We love You, God! In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

"Friends, I LOVE spending time with you! I'll see you next time. Bye!"

*The Storyteller exits with the Bible.*

## OUTRO SKETCH

**WHAT YOU NEED:** No supplies needed

*Host enters, smiling.*

**HOST:** "Wow! God's plans for Joseph were bigger than Joseph could have EVER imagined. That's because God's plans are always best. I think I got the story. Did you get it? If you did, say, 'Got it!' Get it?"

**CHILDREN AND HOST:** "Got it!"

**HOST:** "Good! I'm so glad that God has plans for you and **God has plans for me!** It's time to get back to my mini golf plans. See you next time, friends. Bye-bye!"

*Host waves to children.*