



TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Breath of Heaven
Zechariah/Elizabeth and
Gabriel/Mary
Luke 1:5-66

TODAY'S KEY QUESTION

What's the most amazing
thing you've ever seen?

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

Anything is possible with God.

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

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Luke 2:11, NIV

MONTHLY VIRTUE

Christmas—Celebrating Jesus,
God's greatest gift

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

SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Just for Fun
Opening Activity

LARGE GROUP

35
MIN

STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways **WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God**

Welcome/Opener
Worship
Bible Story (Communicator Script)
Key Question
Prayer

SMALL GROUP

25
MIN

GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Application Activity: Take a Snapshot
Bible Story Review: Bible Story Review and
Discussion Questions
Memory Verse Activity: Verses to Take with You
Prayer Activity: Make it Personal with Prayer

HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

Parent Cue Card (print or email)
Devotionals for Kids
Parent Cue App

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

STORY

WORSHIP

GROUPS

HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO CONNECT

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



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3. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

Ask:

- What are some of the most amazing things you've ever seen?
- What are some amazing things God has done?
- If God doesn't answer our prayers in the way we hope, does it mean God isn't listening? Why or why not?
- When things seem impossible, how does it help us to think about other times when God has done the impossible?

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MADE TO MOVE

an activity that increases the oxygen in the brain and taps into the energy in the body



4. VERSE TO TAKE WITH YOU

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Ten boxes, “Anything is Possible” Activity Page (printed on adhesive labels), two rolls of wrapping paper, scissors, tape, adhesive gift bows, Bibles, pens or pencils, index cards

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- Divide kids into two teams and have the teams spread out so that each team has plenty of space around them.
- Give each team five boxes, a roll of wrapping paper, scissors, tape, bows, and a sheet of “Anything is possible” Activity Page labels.
- Explain that the game will start by the two kids on each team working together to wrap their first box.
- They will need to wrap the box with wrapping paper and apply a bow and a label.
- The challenge: Each partner can only use one hand!
 - One partner will use only their right hand, while the other partner will only use their left hand.
 - Whichever hand kids are NOT using, they must place behind their backs.
- After the first set of partners completely wraps their present, two more people from their team will repeat with another box.
- Continue until all the boxes have been wrapped, complete with bows and labels.
- The first team to finish wrapping all five of their presents is the winning team.
- After the game, give kids a chance to work together to look up the passages that are printed on the labels of their presents.
- Let kids take turns reading the passages for the group.
- Read Matthew 19:26 out loud for the group.
- Encourage kids to write this verse on an index card and take it home with them. They may choose to also write down any of the references for the passages that were read. Tell them that they can look to the Scriptures when they need reminders that anything is possible with God.

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

WHAT YOU NEED: Individual “fun size” packages of red and green M&M candies

WHAT YOU DO:

- Pair kids up, and encourage them to spread out in your room or group space.
- Ask kids to think for a moment about some of the things God has done in their lives that may have seemed impossible at the time (ie: when they hit the winning home run in their championship game, provided their mom or dad with a job when they had been out of work for a while, etc.).
- Give them a few minutes to share with their partner.
- Then ask kids to think for a moment about whether there’s anything currently going on in their lives that feels impossible. *(Be sure to create a safe place for kids to share. Remind kids how important confidentiality is within the group.)* Give them a few minutes to share with their partner.
- Hand each kid a package of M&Ms and tell them that they will use the candy as they pray with each other. They can take turns pulling an M&M out of their package.
- Encourage kids to take several minutes to do this. Each kid should pick three to five M&Ms to pray with.
 - If the M&M is red, tell them to pray about something for their partner.
 - If the M&M is green, tell them to pray about something going on in their own lives.
- After everyone is finished praying, close the group in prayer. When you have finished praying, kids can eat the rest of their M&M’s.
- Pray for your group:

WHAT YOU SAY:

“Dear God,
Thank You for all the things that You have done in our lives that seemed impossible at the time. You are our Mighty God, and You can do anything! Help us to remember that. Thank You for giving us this group. It’s so important to have people that we can share with and pray with. We love You. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

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