



WEEK
FIVE
JUNE 2024

SMALL GROUP
PRETEEN

PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME



TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Reason to Believe
God Will Give Us Joy
Habakkuk 3:17-18

TODAY'S KEY QUESTION

What can you celebrate today?

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

There's always a
reason to celebrate.

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

**"A cheerful heart makes
you healthy. But a broken
spirit dries you up."**
Proverbs 17:22, NIV

MONTHLY VIRTUE

Joy—Choosing to celebrate
what God is doing

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.



3. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS [TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW] WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:
Ask:

- If Habakkuk visited our Small Group today, what do you think he would tell us about joy?
- When you realize that you can't control a situation and make it go the way you want, how does that make you feel? What are some good things that can come out of realizing we are not in control of some things? What CAN we control?
- Even though as followers of Jesus we know God is in control and that we can trust God, why is it so hard to believe that sometimes?



5. MAKE IT PERSONAL WITH PRAYER [PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY] WHAT YOU NEED: Completed "Even if . . ." Activity Pages from the Bible Story Extension Activity

WHAT YOU DO:

- Give each kid their "Even if . . ." Activity Page from the Bible Story Extension activity.
- Allow kids a moment to review what they wrote.
- Invite kids to ask for God's help to follow Habakkuk's example this week when things don't go as planned or they face a tough situation.
- Ask them to review what they wrote at the bottom of the page ("I can still have joy because . . .") then encourage them to pray those words back to God either silently or aloud.
- Pray for each kid individually, asking the Holy Spirit to help them always find something to celebrate.