

DIVE DEEP

There's Always More to Explore

WEEK
TWO
AUGUST 2024

SMALL GROUP
PRETEEN

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

STORY

WORSHIP

GROUPS

HOME

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

See Yourself
Speck and Plank
Matthew 7:1-5

TODAY'S KEY QUESTION

**What are you learning
about yourself?**

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

**When you see yourself clearly,
you can make the wise choice.**

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

**If any of you needs wisdom,
you should ask God for it. He will
give it to you. God gives freely to
everyone and doesn't find fault.**
James 1:5, NIV

MONTHLY VIRTUE

**Wisdom—Finding out what you
should do and doing it**

BASIC TRUTH

I need to make the wise choice.



3. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

Ask:

- Have you ever felt bothered by something another kid does? Do you think it might be because it reminds you of something about yourself?
- Have you ever been disrespectful or rude to someone else? What might have caused you to act that way?
- Have you ever been mean to another person? How did you feel afterward? Did it make you think about how you treat others?
- When do you get angry or feel anxious? What triggers those big emotions? How does that clue you in on something you might need God's help to change?
- Who can you talk to who will give you wise insight about some of the things you can work on to be more like Jesus?
- What are you learning about yourself?



4. VERSES TO TAKE WITH YOU

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Bibles

WHAT YOU DO:

- Invite kids to look up and read John 7:24 using the Bible



5. MAKE IT PERSONAL WITH PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED:

WHAT YOU DO:

- Remind kids that learning to see themselves clearly—the good as well as the bad—is one of the ways we show that we're growing in wisdom.
- Encourage kids to write a short prayer on the back of their papers asking for God's help to see the things they need to change in themselves.
 - Suggest that those with drawings of something *small*, write a prayer asking for God's help not to be overly critical or judgmental about the little things others do that bug them.
 - If their drawing is of something *large*, encourage them to ask God to help them see ways they can change to be more like Jesus.
- Close in prayer.