



WEEK  
**FOUR**  
JULY 2024

SMALL GROUP  
**2-3**

**PRELUDE**      **SOCIAL**      **STORY**      **WORSHIP**      **GROUPS**      **HOME**

PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION  
15 MINUTES

### MADE TO MOVE

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



*Before kids arrive, take a few moments to pray for them. Pray for those who might visit your group for the first time. Think about the ways that God is at work in your own life. Ask God to help the kids in your group to be encouraged, inspired, and hopeful that God is going to make the world right again.*

### TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

**At the End of the Day**  
Heaven  
Revelation 21, 22:1-5

### TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

**Celebrate what God will do.**

### MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

**"Always be joyful because you belong to the Lord. I will say it again. Be joyful!"**  
Philippians 4:4, NIV

### MONTHLY VIRTUE

**Joy—Choosing to celebrate what God is doing**

### BASIC TRUTH

**I can trust God no matter what.**

## 1. EARLY ARRIVER

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Offering container, and device for playing music

#### WHAT YOU DO:

Greet kids by name as they arrive.

- Encourage any kids who brought an offering to place it in the offering container.
- Ask:
  - What kind of music do you like to hear at a party?
  - Are there different kinds of music that should be played at different types of parties?
- When enough kids have arrived, invite them into a round of freeze dance.
- Play an age-appropriate, high-energy song.
- Instruct the kids to dance while the music is playing.
- Periodically stop the music and direct the kids to freeze when you stop the music.
- Each round, encourage kids to change up their dance-move styles, like:
  - Robot
  - Ballet
  - Party-rock
  - 60s, etc.
- Continue as time and interest allow.



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CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT  
25 MINUTES

### MADE TO CREATE

an activity that explores spiritual ideas through the process of drawing, building, and designing



### 3. BE KIND REWIND

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Be Kind Rewind" Activity Page, markers, and various craft supplies

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Make sure each kid has a Bible.
- Together, look up the Memory Verse (Philippians 4:4) using the Bible Navigation Tips below.

***Finding verses with 2nd and 3rd graders:** Guide them to open their Bibles to the front and find the table of contents. (Hold up a Bible opened to the table of contents to show the kids what the page looks like.) When the kids find the table of contents, lead them to find Philippians in the list under "New Testament." When the kids find Philippians, lead them to look at the page number beside the word. Explain that the number tells them on what page they can find Philippians. Help the kids find the page. When they find Philippians, explain that the big numbers on the page are the chapter numbers. Help them find chapter 4. Explain that the small numbers are verse numbers. Help them find verse 4 in chapter 4.*

- Invite anyone who would like to read the verse aloud.
- Give each kid a "Be Kind Rewind" Activity Page.
- Set out the markers and various craft supplies.
- Direct the kids to copy the Memory Verse onto the blank section of the "Be Kind Rewind" Activity Page, near the verse reference.
- Once completed, set out the craft supplies.
- Instruct the kids to decorate the boombox on the "Be Kind Rewind" Activity Page.
- See if anyone would like to try to recite the Memory Verse from memory.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"What does it mean to rewind? (*Invite responses.*) Some things are worth repeating again and again. As followers of Jesus, we can remind ourselves of God's truths over and over again and **celebrate what God will do**. You can Start the Party! When you aren't feeling so joy-filled, remind yourself that God created you to be a living celebration to the world! When you see someone who needs a boost of joy, remind them that we can trust God."

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**MADE TO REFLECT**

an activity that creates space for personal understanding and application



**4. PRAY AND DISMISS**  
[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** No supplies needed

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- As you pray, encourage kids to join you each time you say the Bottom Line: **“Celebrate what God will do.”**

**TODAY’S BIBLE STORY**

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**WHAT YOU SAY:**

“God, we are so grateful that we can **celebrate what God will do**. As we move forward through our week and may experience a time when we don’t know how to find joy, we will **celebrate what God will do**. When we see our friends or family who need some encouragement we ask that You guide us to help them **celebrate what God will do**. Fill us with Your joy so we are a walking celebration of joy to the world! We love You and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

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As adults arrive to pick up, invite kids to show off their “Be Kind Rewind” Activity Page and prompt them to read their Memory Verse!

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