

FOUR
JULY 2024

PRETEEN

TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

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

TODAY'S KEY QUESTION

What's the best party you can imagine?

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, NIrV

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:

- What's the best party you can imagine?
- Which part of John's description of heaven is most exciting to you?
- How can you celebrate what God will do?
- Why is it sometimes challenging to focus on what God will do, rather than focusing on what God is doing now?



4. VERSES TO TAKE WITH YOU [HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Bibles

WHAT YOU DO: . Divide kids into two teams.

- kids will work together to look up each of the verses on the Activity Page.
 - They will read each verse out loud and spend time discussing the question that coincides with each verse.



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

WHAT YOU NEED: Dry erase board, dry erase marker

WHAT YOU DO:

- At the top of the column on the left, write the letter, "J."
- At the top of the middle column, write the letter, "O."
- At the top of the column on the right, write the letter, "Y."
- Ask kids to think of things they can celebrate when it comes to Jesus. As kids take turns sharing, write those things down in the "J" column (for *JESUS*).
- Ask kids to think of things they can celebrate when it comes to other people
 in their lives. As kids take turns sharing, write those things down in the "O"
 column (for OTHERS).
- Ask kids to think of things they can celebrate when it comes to themselves. As kids take turns sharing, write those things down in the "Y" column (for YOU).
- After everyone has had time to share, remind kids that we have so many
 reasons to celebrate what God is doing now in our lives as well as what God
 will do in the future. When we spend time praying, we should make sure to not
 always only ask for things. Instead, we can take time to celebrate and tell God
 how thankful we are for all that God does for us!
- Lead the group in a time of prayer. Explain that you will say something to open
 up the prayer time. Then kids will have a chance to say something they'd like
 to celebrate about God. This could be one of the things they mentioned from
 the list. After kids have had time to say something, you can bring the prayer to a
 close.