



WEEK  
**FOUR**  
MARCH 2025

SMALL GROUP  
**2-3**

## TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

### TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

#### Up on the Roof

Four Friends Work Together  
Luke 5:17-26

### TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

Work together to help  
someone in need.

### MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

Two people are better than  
one. They can help each  
other in everything they do.  
Ecclesiastes 4:9, NIRV

### MONTHLY VIRTUE

Cooperation—Working together  
to do more than you can do alone

### BASIC TRUTH

I should treat others the way  
I want to be treated.

### 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.

Check out our Pinterest page here <https://bit.ly/447HSzi> for a visual on some of the activities.

Check out our Small Group Leader Conversation Guides to guide you through salvation conversations: <https://bit.ly/4daxSUg>

### SMALL GROUP

15  
MIN

#### SOCIAL: Providing Time for Fun Interaction

Early Arriver  
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  
Bottom Line  
What's Our Part in the Story?  
Prayer

### SMALL GROUP

25  
MIN

#### GROUPS: Creating a Safe Place to Connect

Bible Story Review: A Friend in Need  
Application Activity: Operation Cooperation  
Memory Verse Activity: Verse Hum  
Prayer Activity: Pray and Dismiss

### HOME: Prompting Action Beyond the Experience

Parent Cue Card (Print or Email)  
Devotionals for Kids  
Parent Cue App



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PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION  
15 MINUTES

### MADE TO CREATE

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



*Before kids arrive, take a few moments to pray for them. Pray for those who might visit your group for the first time. Thank God for the compassion and kindness that the kids are developing through their relationship with God. Ask God to open their eyes to see how they can work together to make a difference in the lives of those in need around them.*

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### 1. EARLY ARRIVER

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Offering container; LEGOs®, building blocks, coloring pages, or board games

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Greet the kids by name as they arrive.
- Invite any kids who brought an offering to place it in the offering container.
- Set out the following (or any building materials you have available):
  - LEGOs®
  - Building blocks
  - Coloring pages
  - Board games
- Encourage the kids to get with a partner.
- Invite the kids to work together to build something.

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an activity that encourages learning through following guidelines and working as a group



## 2. OPENING ACTIVITY

**WHAT YOU NEED:** No supplies needed

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Gather your group together.
- Explain that the group is going to play a game of tag.
- Select a kid to be a "tagger."
- Share the rules:
  - When the "tagger" tags someone, the tagged kid has to kneel and is "frozen."
  - To "unfreeze" a kid, another kid should tap that kid on the head without getting tagged by the "tagger."
- Every few minutes, pause the game and pick a new kid to be the "tagger."

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**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"You couldn't have played this game alone, right? Awesome job helping your friends to get back in the game! Sometimes, we need others to help us out.

**[Transition] Today, we'll hear about someone who needed friends to help in a big way!"**

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Lead your group to the Large Group area.

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### 3. HUM VERSE

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Memory Verse Sign" Activity Page, and painter's tape

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Use painter's tape to display the verse on the "Memory Verse Sign" Activity Page so the kids can see it.
- Direct the kids to sit facing the sign with the Memory Verse on it.
- Recite the verse together a few times.
- Choose a kid to be the "guesser."
- Instruct the "guesser" to stand with their back to the verse.
- Pick another kid to stand and touch one word from the verse.
- Instruct the rest of the group to recite the verse, but to hum the word the kid is pointing to instead of saying it.
- Direct the "guesser" to try to figure out which word is missing.
- If the "guesser" needs help, encourage them to say, "I need help."
- Instruct the first kid to stand up when the "guesser" asks for help to whisper the missing word in the "guesser's" ear.
- Continue until everyone gets a turn to guess.

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**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"Awesome job working together! In this game, some of you asked for help, and others gave help. This month, our Memory Verse is all about helping one another. This verse is a great reminder of how important it is to work together! Friends, God designed us to need each other. Sometimes, you'll need help, and other times, you'll be the one helping. That's what cooperation is all about! Remember to keep looking for ways to **work together to help someone in need.**"



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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:**

- Invite the kids to sit with you in a circle.
- Encourage the kids to reflect on someone who might need help.
  - *Some suggestions include—parents with chores, siblings with homework or chores, etc.*
- Close the group time in the prayer below, pausing where indicated and prompting the kids to say the names of the people who need help out loud when you pause.

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**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"God, thank You for always being with us.

"Today, we pray for (*pause*).

"Please be with (*pause*) today.

"Help (*pause*) with the needs they have.

"Please give us the opportunity and the courage to help (*pause*).

"In Jesus' name we pray. Amen!"

As adults arrive to pick up, encourage the kids to share the Memory Verse.

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