



WEEK  
**FIVE**  
MARCH 2025

SMALL GROUP  
**2-3**

## TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

### TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

**We're All in This Together**  
One Body, Many Parts  
1 Corinthians 12:12-27

### TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

Work together to point  
people to Jesus.

### 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 can trust God no matter what.

### 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 Purpose for Everything  
Application Activity: Designed to Work Together  
Memory Verse Activity: Build a Verse  
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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15 MINUTES

### MADE TO PLAY

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



*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 gifts and abilities that have been given to each child. Thank God for creating us to all work together. Ask God to help your few learn what their gifts are, see opportunities to use them, and encourage others to use their gifts to show the world God's goodness and love.*

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### 1. EARLY ARRIVER

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Offering container

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Greet the kids by name as they arrive.
- Encourage any kids who brought an offering to place it in the offering container.
- Invite the kids to spread out across the room.
- Explain that you'll call out different activities—some can be done alone, and some require a group.
- Share that if you call out a group activity, the kids are to rush to the center, huddle, put their hands together in the middle, lift them up, and shout, "Let's cooperate!"
- If it's a solo activity, instruct the kids to scatter and stand apart from each other.
- Call out various activities such as:
  - Doing chores
  - Singing a solo
  - Having a party
  - Playing football
  - Brushing their teeth
- Continue calling out various activities and inviting kids to determine what type of activity it is.
- Play as long as time and interest allow.



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an activity that invites kids to share with others and build on their understanding



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## 2. OPENING ACTIVITY

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Bandanas or scrunchies and puzzles;  
*Optional: Instead of puzzles, consider using coloring sheets.*

### WHAT YOU DO:

- Instruct the kids to form groups of two.
  - If there is an uneven number of kids, jump in to play!
- Give each pair a puzzle.
  - *Optional: Instead of a puzzle, consider using coloring sheets.*
- Use a bandana or scrunchie to tie two of the pair's arms together. (left hand/ right hand)
- Challenge the pairs to put the puzzle together with their arms tied together.

### WHAT YOU SAY:

"It was so fun watching you all work together! Was it harder or easier to do this game with a partner? (*Invite responses.*) Sometimes it might seem like cooperation makes things harder. But the truth is, we can do way more when we work together than we could ever do alone. **[Transition] Let's head to find out about a mission we have that requires A LOT of cooperation.**"

Lead your group to the Large Group area.



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PRELUDE

SOCIAL

STORY

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HOME

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



## 1. A PURPOSE FOR EVERYTHING

[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Butcher paper, thick marker, and markers

### WHAT YOU DO:

- Place a large piece of butcher paper on a table or floor.
- Instruct the kids to gather around the paper.
- Explain to the kids that they will create a team drawing of a human body.
- Give each kid a marker.
- Start by drawing a large head using a thick marker, leaving space for the body, legs, and arms.
- Let the kids know you're drawing the head.
- Choose another body part and invite a kid to add it to the picture.
- After each addition, pause and ask:
  - "Can you imagine if we were just a(n) [name of the body part] walking around?"
  - "What do you think a(n) [name of the body part] can do on its own without the other body parts?"
- Continue in this way until the entire body is drawn.
- Give the kids a few moments to add details, such as hair and clothing, to the drawing.

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### WHAT YOU SAY:

"That was so fun! This reminds me of what Paul wrote in our Bible Story. He told people that just like a body has many parts, we all have different strengths and jobs!

"Hands, eyes, and feet can't do everything on their own—it's the same with us! We need to work together to show the world who Jesus is. When we help each other, we make a big difference. Sometimes we might not feel like we want to work with others, but we can show a clear picture of what Jesus is like when we do! So, let's **work together to point people to Jesus.**"



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25 MINUTES

### MADE TO MOVE

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



### 3. BUILD A VERSE

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

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

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Divide the group into two teams.
- Use the painter's tape to create two equal start lines and finish lines in your group area.
- Take the two stacks of cards from the "Memory Verse Cards" Activity Page and shuffle them, making sure to keep the stacks separate.
- Place each stack at the finish lines.
- Instruct the teams to stand behind their team's starting line.
- Explain the rules:
  - The first kid from each team runs to the stack at the finish line, draws one card, and brings it back to their team.
  - The teams must work together to place the cards correctly in order to form Ecclesiastes 4:9.
  - Teams can only grab a new card once everyone agrees on where it should go.
  - After placing their card down, the next kid on the team runs to the finish line to get the next card.
  - The game continues until the verse is complete.
- Once a team thinks their verse is correct, encourage them to say it together loudly.
- Declare a winner based on the team that says the verse correctly first.

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**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"Great job! This game shows how working together makes things faster and more fun. If only one person tried to put the verse together, it would've taken a lot longer—and maybe even been mixed up! But when you worked as a team, you finished it quickly and got it right."

"God wants us to work together. We each have unique gifts and abilities, and God designed us to use them to help others! We can **work together to point people to Jesus** by helping someone in need, praying for a friend, and being kind. Let's keep looking for ways we can point others to Jesus and make a bigger difference when we team up!"



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PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

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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:** Butcher paper; nametags; pens; and a black, permanent marker

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Write today's Bottom Line in the center of a large sheet of butcher paper with a black, permanent marker.
  - **Work together to point people to Jesus.**
- Instruct the kids to form a circle around the paper.
- Give each kid a pen and a blank nametag.
- Encourage the kids to take a few minutes to silently think about how they can use their strengths and talents to point others to Jesus.
  - Offer ideas like, praying, helping others when they're in need, sharing, making cards, etc.
- After reflecting, instruct the kids to write or draw on their nametag one or two ways they can point others to Jesus.
- When finished, show the kids how to peel the backings off their nametags and stick their nametags on the butcher paper.
- Encourage each kid to share what they wrote or drew as they do this.
- Close the group time in prayer.

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**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"God, thank You for giving all of my friends here unique gifts and talents. We know that You want everyone to know about Your Son, Jesus. Help us to work together to point others to Him! Remind us that we are better together and that, as a team, we can do amazing things for You. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

As adults arrive to pick up, encourage the kids to show them the prayer poster they created and explain how everyone can work together by using their gifts and talents to point others to Jesus.