



WEEK
TWO
JUNE 2025

SMALL GROUP
K-1

TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Give Peace a Chance

Live in Peace With One Another /
Saul and Barnabas
Romans 12:18
(Supporting: Acts 9:26-28)

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

Live in peace with one another.

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

As you deal with one
another, you should think
and act as Jesus did.
Philippians 2:5, NIRV

MONTHLY VIRTUE

Live It Out—Discover how
to love like Jesus

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

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: Gear Up Story Review
Application Activity: Peace or No Peace
Memory Verse Activity: Pass It On Story Review
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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PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION
15 MINUTES

MADE TO PLAY

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



Pray for your group before they arrive. Pray for those who might visit your group for the first time. Take a moment to reflect on Jesus' kindness and love. Thank God for the gift of peace that comes from Jesus, God's Son. Ask God to guide the kids in your group to be peacemakers. Ask God to help the kids show empathy and treat others with respect, just as they want to be treated.

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1. EARLY ARRIVER

WHAT YOU NEED: Offering container

WHAT YOU DO:

- Welcome kids by name and with a high five or a fist bump as they arrive.
- Invite kids who brought an offering to place it in the offering container.
- Take a few moments to ask the kids about their week.
- Instruct the kids to join you in a seated circle.
- Explain that the kids are going to play a game called: Sound Train.
 - To play, you'll give them the starting sound of a word, like "Gr" or "P" and name an item that begins with that sound.
 - For example, if your starting sound is "Gr," you might say: "grow."
 - Try to avoid sounds or letters that make inappropriate words.
 - Once you've named the sound and an item, the kid to your left is to name a different item that begins with the same sound, like: "gravel."
 - Direct the kids to continue naming items around the circle that start with that same sound.
 - Continue the round all the way around the circle.
- After several rounds, select kids to pick beginning sounds for the next round.
- Play as long as time and interest allow.



CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO MOVE

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



*** 2. PEACE OR NO PEACE**
[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Painter's tape, and "Peace or No Peace" Activity Pages

WHAT YOU DO:

- Use the painter's tape to mark a line on the floor down the center of the small group area.
- On the left side of the line, tape the "Peace" sign from the "Peace or No Peace" Activity Page to the floor.
- On the right side of the line, tape the "No Peace" sign from the "Peace or No Peace" Activity Page to the floor.
- Point the signs out to the kids while reading them aloud.
- Invite the group to form a straight line on the painter's tape line.
- Explain that you will read several scenarios aloud.
 - If kids think the scenario shows peace, direct them to jump to the "Peace" side of the line.
 - If kids think the scenario doesn't show peace, direct them to jump to the "No Peace" side of the line.
- One at a time, read a scenario below, giving time after each one for the kids to jump on either side of the line to select their choice.
- Encourage the kids to return to the painter's tape line between scenarios.

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Scenarios:

1. Your little brother apologizes after saying something that hurt your feelings. (*peace*)
2. Your friend ignores you because they're mad about something that happened yesterday. (*no peace*)
3. Two friends in your class are arguing and ask a teacher for help instead of yelling at each other. (*peace*)
4. You and your sibling take turns instead of fighting over who goes first. (*peace*)
5. A kid grabs the ball from someone else and refuses to give it back. (*no peace*)
6. A classmate chooses to use encouraging words to help someone who is sad. (*peace*)
7. You become angry when another kid steps in line ahead of you. You begin to yell at them to get out of line. (*no peace*)
8. You see the new kid in your class sitting alone at lunch, so you invite them to sit with your friends and introduce them to everyone. (*peace*)

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Great job, friends! Did you know that when we choose to follow Jesus, God sends the Holy Spirit to live inside of us? That's right! Jesus promised that the Holy Spirit would continue to guide, comfort, teach, and transform us to be more like Jesus. The Holy Spirit is closer than close and goes through everything with us! So we can ask God to help us make peace wherever we go.



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PRELUDE

SOCIAL

STORY

WORSHIP

GROUPS

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25 MINUTES

(* 2. PEACE OR NO PEACE, CONTINUED)

"We can live in peace by using kind words. We can live in peace by choosing to walk away when someone wants to argue. We can live in peace by stepping in to help when two friends aren't being kind to one another. The next time you face a scenario like this, take a deep breath before you react and ask God to help you speak and act in a way that brings peace to the situation. When we choose to put our trust in and follow Jesus, He will help us **live in peace with one another!**"



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3. PASS IT ON MEMORY VERSE [HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY] WHAT YOU NEED: Bibles, and soft playground ball

WHAT YOU DO:

- Divide the kids into groups of two.
 - It's okay if there's a group of three!
- Give every group a Bible.
- Use the Bible Navigation Tips below to look up the Memory Verse together.

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***Finding verses with kindergartners:** Guide kids to open the Bibles to the marked page. Point to the word *Philippians* at the top of the page as you say "Philippians" aloud. Then guide kids to find the big number 2 on the page. Explain that this is the chapter number. Finally, guide them to look under the big 2 for the little 5; this is the verse number. Tell them to leave their finger on the verse as you read the verse aloud. Then lead everyone to say the verse together.*

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***Finding verses with 1st 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." You can help by telling them that *Philippians* starts with the letters P-H. 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 2. Explain that the small numbers are verse numbers. Help them find verse 5 in chapter 2.*

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

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- Repeat the Memory Verse together several times.
- Invite the kids to close their Bibles, put them aside, and join you in a standing circle.
- Hold the soft playground ball.
- Explain that the group will pass the ball around the circle, each kid reciting the next word of the verse until it's complete.
 - For example, for the Nlrv, you will begin with "As," the next kid will say "you," and so on.
- For each round, give a different kid the chance to start the verse.
- Assist the kids with their words as needed. Encourage the rest of the group to help identify the next word in the verse if they know it.
- Gather the group together to discuss.

MONTHLY VIRTUE

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WHAT YOU SAY:

"Great job, everyone! One of the awesome things about reading the Bible, God's Word, is that we can memorize it and take it wherever we go. This month's verse is one to remember. As followers of Jesus, we should all think and act like He did! Jesus was a peacemaker. We can live with God forever because Jesus chose to



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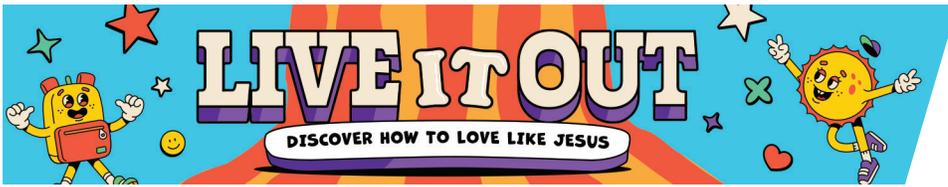
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(3. PASS IT ON MEMORY VERSE, CONTINUED)

give His life up for us. That's a BIG deal! And when we put our trust in Jesus and choose to follow Him, Jesus will help us **live in peace with one another.**"



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



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

WHAT YOU NEED: "Peace" Sign from "Peace or No Peace" Activity

WHAT YOU DO:

- Instruct the kids to join you in a seated circle.
- Place the "Peace" sign from the "Peace or No Peace" Activity in the center of the circle.
- Ask: "How will you aim to **live in peace with one another** this week?"
 - *Invite responses, like: sharing with other kids in their class, taking a deep breath before reacting, inviting others to play with their friends, etc.*
- Close your group in prayer, asking God to help them **live in peace with one another**.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to show us how to live in peace with others. This week, when we argue or find it hard to get along with others, help us to think and act like Your Son, Jesus! We want to **live in peace with one another**, but we need Your help. Thank You for loving us, for listening to our prayers, and for helping us to trust and follow Jesus. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

As adults arrive to pick up, encourage the kids to point to the "Peace" sign on the floor and share how they can **live in peace with everyone** this week.

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