



WEEK
FOUR
JUNE 2025

SMALL GROUP
PRETEEN

TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

You Got This
Encourage One Another
Hebrews 10:24-25

TODAY'S KEY QUESTION

When has someone encouraged you?

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MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

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Philippians 2:5, NIV

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

Just for Fun
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 (Communicator Script)
Key Question
Prayer

SMALL GROUP

25
MIN

GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Application Activity: Take a Snapshot
Bible Story Review: Bible Story Extension and Discussion Questions
Memory Verse Activity: Verses to Take with You
Prayer Activity: Make it Personal with Prayer

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



Before kids arrive, take a few quiet moments to be still and silent with God, listening for God's voice of encouragement and love. Pray for opportunities to be a voice of encouragement to your kids today as you lead your Small Group.

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1. JUST FOR FUN

WHAT YOU NEED: Offering container, paper, pens or pencils, timer

WHAT YOU DO:

- Welcome kids with a smile as they arrive!
- Invite any kids who brought an offering to place it in the offering container.
- Share with the kids that this week in your group, they'll be traveling to "Sports Camp!"
- Direct the kids to spread out and sit in your group space.
- Hand every kid a piece of paper and a pen or pencil.
- Select a kid to pick a letter from the alphabet.
- Explain that you will give them one minute to write down as many sports-related words that start with the chosen letter.
- Use the timer to keep the time.
- After the minute is up, direct the kids to count how many words they wrote.
- Invite the kids to read their words aloud to help you determine who listed the most sports-related words.
- The kid with the most sports-related words that begin with that letter wins!
- Repeat the process for the next round, allowing another kid to pick a different letter.



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CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO CONNECT

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



3. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS [TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW] WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

Ask:

- When has someone encouraged you?
- Have you ever felt like you needed encouragement?
- Why do we all need encouragement sometimes?
- What's something you know about Jesus that encourages you?

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MADE TO MOVE

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



4. VERSES TO TAKE WITH YOU

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Whiteboards, dry-erase markers, Bibles

WHAT YOU DO:

- Divide the kids into two teams.
- Place two small whiteboards at one end of your group

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space.

- Place a dry-erase marker next to each whiteboard.
- Place the two bats directly across from each whiteboard, on the opposite side of your group space.
- Instruct each team to line up behind a bat.
- Hand each team a Bible and instruct them to look up Philippians 2:5 and read it aloud.

Finding verses with 4th-5th graders: Ask kids to tell you if the book of the Bible they're looking for is in the Old Testament or New Testament. If it's in the Old, instruct kids to flip slowly, starting at the front of the Bible and heading toward the back, until they find the book they're looking for. If it's in the New, instruct kids to start flipping from the back, going forward to find the book they're looking for. Once they find the book, explain that the big numbers on the page are the chapter numbers. First, have them find the chapter they're looking for. Then explain that the small numbers are verse numbers. Tell kids to find the verse within the chapter they've already found.

- Tell them to leave the Bible open for their team to reference the verse during the activity.
- Explain how to play:
 - The first kid on each team will stand with their eyes closed while the kid behind them spins them five times.
 - That kid must travel to their team's whiteboard, use the dry-erase marker to write the first word of Philippians 2:5, and quickly travel back to their team.
 - The next kid in line will repeat the process, writing the next word of the verse.
 - The kids from each team will continue writing one word from the verse until it's complete.
- Encourage the teams to cheer each other on as they complete the verse.
- The first team to complete the verse correctly wins!
- Ask: Much like an astronaut is faced with missions to complete in space, what is a mission that God has given us here on Earth? (To think and act as Jesus did!)



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MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that creates space for personal understanding and application



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

WHAT YOU NEED: Whiteboard, dry-erase marker, index cards, pens or markers

WHAT YOU DO:

- Invite kids to sit in your group space facing the whiteboard.
- Ask kids to share various things they could say to someone to encourage them.
 - (i.e., "You are not alone!" "I believe in you!" or "You can trust God no matter what!")
- Give each kid an index card and a marker or pen.
- Invite the kids to think of someone they'll see this week who could use some encouragement.
 - *This could be a friend, family member, teacher, coach, etc.*
- Instruct the kids to use their index cards to write an encouraging message to the person they thought of.
 - *Consider encouraging kids to write a prayer for them.*
- Challenge the kids to give their index card to that person this week.
- Invite each kid to pray for the person they made a card for.
- Close your group in prayer.

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