

# MEMORY VERSE TOOLBOX

*A guide for helping kids memorize Scripture every week*

Each week, choose **2–3 activities** from this list to practice the memory verse with your group. Variety keeps it fun and helps kids lock the verse into their hearts and minds.

## Group Say Activities

1. **Echo Repeat** – Leader says a phrase of the verse, kids repeat it back.
2. **Whisper & Shout** – Whisper some words, shout others. (Ex: whisper “All Scripture is...” shout “GOD-BREATHED!”).
3. **Different Voices** – Say the verse in a funny voice: robot, opera singer, baby voice, cowboy, etc.
4. **Fast & Slow** – Say it once slowly, then super fast. Repeat 2–3 times.
5. **Leaders vs. Kids** – Compete to see who can say the verse louder (or faster, or more dramatically).

## Movement Activities

6. **Hand Motions** – Create simple motions for key words (ex: “God-breathed” = blow out air, “teaching” = point to head).
7. **Stand & Sit** – Kids stand up for every other word, sit down for the next word.
8. **Around the Circle** – Each kid says one word of the verse in order until it’s complete.
9. **Pass the Verse** – Toss a ball around. Whoever catches it says the next word.
10. **Freeze Verse** – Say the verse together while doing silly motions. Leader yells “Freeze!” and kids must stop while saying the next word.

## Visual & Interactive Activities

11. **Verse Eraser** – Write the verse on a whiteboard or poster. Erase words little by little until kids can say it all from memory.
12. **Fill in the Blank** – Leader says the verse but leaves out key words. Kids shout the missing parts.
13. **Verse Scramble** – Print the verse on paper strips (one phrase each). Mix them up and let kids put them back in order.
14. **Write It Out** – Give each child a dry erase board or paper. Have them write the verse (or part of it) while saying it aloud.

## Individual Challenges

15. **Solo Spotlight** – Give each child a turn to recite the verse. Cheer loudly after each one!
16. **Buddy Recite** – Pair kids up. They practice saying the verse to each other.
17. **Backwards Challenge** – Say the verse starting with the last word and going backwards (great for older kids).
18. **Speed Round** – Time how fast kids (or the group) can say the verse without mistakes.