



JACOB'S DREAM

BIBLE PASSAGE (GENESIS 27-28)

Summary: God made the same promise to Abraham's son, Isaac, that He made to Abraham. Isaac and Rebekah had twin sons, Esau and Jacob. Isaac intended to bless Esau, but Jacob deceived him and received the blessing instead. Esau was angry, so Jacob fled. On his journey, Jacob dreamed of a ladder reaching heaven and heard God reaffirm the covenant. Despite Jacob's deceit, God revealed His plan and faithfulness through His promises.

Today's Brite Idea is: God never changes.



MONTHLY Memory Verse

*Jesus Christ is the same
yesterday and today
and forever.*

(HEBREWS 13:8)



BIG QUESTION

Does God ever change? No!

HE

God doesn't
change.

WE

He keeps His
promises to us.

ME

He keeps His
promises to me.

LEADER TRAINING: SAFETY OF OUR SAVIOR

Preschoolers learn about God long before they can describe Him. They learn through how they're treated, the tone of the room and the way adults make them feel. By creating safe spaces, we're giving kids a small but powerful picture of our safe Savior.

- **Safety Shows Love.** A clear hallway or a clean space might seem like small details, but they speak volumes. Each element of care tells kids, "You matter to us, just like you matter to Jesus."
- **Predictability Builds Trust.** Consistent check-in, familiar routines, visual schedules and known faces help kids feel secure. When things feel safe, hearts can open up to being truly disciplined.
- **Boundaries Create Freedom.** Don't think of boundaries as barriers. They're so much more! Instead, think of barriers as invitations for preschoolers to explore safely. Just as God's commandments protect and bless us, rules and structure help kids flourish.

NAVIGATING A BROKEN WORLD: LONELINESS

Loneliness is pervasive in our culture. One survey reveals 28 percent of Gen Z reported that they frequently feel lonely.* Our kids are growing up in a very lonely culture. Many have siblings who grew up isolated from others during the COVID-19 pandemic. In today's lesson, Jacob is very much alone after having to flee his family. You can help your group be a place where kids do not feel lonely. Be intentional in connecting kids together. Watch for kids who tend to isolate and work to build relationships with them. Utilize the "Belong" activities to get to know kids and pay attention to things they share about themselves. Help kids feel known. Most importantly, emphasize that God is always near to them, loving them, helping them and dwelling with them.

PRESCHOOL GLOSSARY:

Blessing: a special gift from God

Covenant: a special promise

Ladder: two long sidepieces with steps in between to be used to climb up and down

*For more resources on this topic, check out: britecurriculum.com/resources

1 **BELONG**
Small Group (10 MINUTES)
GOAL: For kids to experience
God's love through a
welcoming community

**GOD NEVER
CHANGES**

SUPPLIES: Ball

2 **BIBLE
TEACHING**
Large Group (15 MINUTES)

**JACOB'S DREAM
(GENESIS 27-28)**

SUPPLIES: Bible, Bible story cards

3 **BELIEVE**
Small Group (10 MINUTES)
GOAL: For kids to discover
who God is by engaging
with the Bible

**MEMORY
VERSE BUILD**

SUPPLIES: Blocks, music player,
Memory Verse Song

4 **BECOME**
Small Group (10 MINUTES)
GOAL: For kids to learn to
follow Jesus by applying
faith to their lives

**PROMISE
LIGHT**

SUPPLIES: Take-Home page,
coloring supplies, clear plastic
cup (1 per kid), yellow tissue
paper, scissors (prep), glue,
battery-powered tealight
candle (1 per kid), marker

Pray for each regular attendee by name. Pray for those who might visit your group for the first time. Pray specifically for kids who are typically overlooked by others. Pray that they would be made to feel special and valued. Also pray for kids who are typically doing the “overlooking.” Ask God to show them other kids who need to feel valued. Pray that these kids would work to make others feel included and special.

Before Kids Arrive

- Go through your supply tub and make sure you have all the supplies you need for the morning. (we do sometimes make mistakes 🙄)

Arrival

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- Have kids select and sit on carpet squares
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- Play story video (press down arrow on keyboard)

Wrap-Up:

Say: Now it's time to answer our Big Question. Can you all help me do a drumroll? Ready? 1, 2, 3 ... drumroll!

Show the Big Question and Answer Teaching Image. (press down arrow on keyboard)

Big Question: Does God ever change? No!

Monthly Memory Verse

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Verse Video:

Watch the Memory Verse Video and practice the motions with the kids. (press down arrow on keyboard)

Memory Verse Motions:

Help kids recite and retain the memory verse by teaching it with motions. Before you teach the verse, be sure to explain what it means.

- Jesus Christ (*point to the palms of your hands*)
- is the same (*clap your hands*)
- yesterday (*point backward*)
- and today (*point down*)
- and forever. (*point out*)
- Hebrews 13:8 (*open hands like a book*)

Review:

He: God doesn't change.

We: He keeps His promises to us.

Me: He keeps His promises to me.

[Return to tables for prayer requests](#) - Ask: How can I pray for you (write them on the journal page).



MEMORY VERSE BUILD

SUPPLIES:

Blocks, music player, Memory Verse Song

PREP:

None

LEADER TIP:

Encourage kids to work together to build the ladder. If you have a large group of kids, divide them into smaller groups to work with.

ACTIVITY INTRO:

The Bible teaches us true stories about God. Today we learned that God doesn't change. He keeps His promises and is faithful to do what He says. God promised to bless Abraham's family, and He did! Jesus the Rescuer came through the family of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **Say:** Our memory verse teaches us that God will never change! We can always count on God. Our verse says, *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.* (Hebrews 13:8)
2. **Say:** While our Memory Verse Song plays, we will use our blocks to build a tower that was tall like the ladder from today's Bible story. Let's work together to see how high we can make it!
3. *Gather kids together and pass out a pile of blocks.*
4. *Play the Memory Verse Song for kids to listen and sing along to as they build.*
5. *Replay the song as many times as needed.*
6. **Ask:** Who will never change?

ACTIVITY WRAP-UP:

God will never change! He is the same each day. We can trust God to keep His promises and be with us always.



PROMISE LIGHT

SUPPLIES:

Take-Home page, coloring supplies, clear plastic cup (1 per kid), yellow tissue paper, scissors (prep), glue, battery-powered tealight candle (1 per kid), marker

PREP:

Print the Take-Home page (1 per kid). Cut the tissue paper into squares—2 inches by 2 inches (1 handful per kid).

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **Say:** We learned God keeps His promises and never changes! God spoke to Jacob at night while Jacob was sleeping. Let's make a night-light to remind us of how God will always keep His promises.
2. *Pass out a plastic cup and a handful of tissue paper to each kid.*
3. *Help place glue on each kid's cup. Show them how to press the tissue paper onto the glue.*
4. *Put a battery-operated candle tealight into each kid's cup. Turn one on to show them how it lights up.*
5. **Say:** Whenever you use this light, you can remember that God keeps His promises to you!
6. *Once kids are done gluing the paper, use the marker to write their names on the cup and set aside for parent pickup.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- What did Jacob see when he was dreaming?
- Does God always keep His promises?
- What did God promise Jacob?
- Who will never change?

PRAY TOGETHER:

Dear God, You are a promise keeper! Thank You for always keeping Your promises. Help us to trust You each day. Amen.

ACTIVITY WRAP-UP:

Give each kid a Take-Home page. With remaining time, kids can play in centers or color the Take-Home page.

Extra Time?

- Work on Books of the Bible
- Work on Memory Verse
 - BEAN BAG: Have children toss a bean bag to each other and when they catch the bean bag they say the next word in the verse
 - POPCORN: Have children sit in a circle and jump up in turn and say the next word of the verse, sitting down quickly after saying their word
 - HAND MOTIONS: Either you or the kids make up hand motions to key words or phrases of the verse. Practice and then have a competition between boys and girls.

Greet parents at the door. Make sure you match their security tag with Attendance Book. Have them initial Attendance Book (their security tag and child's nametag can be given to Welcome Desk for nametag ball.)

Hand each parent:

- Any craft/activity page

BEFORE YOU LEAVE:

After 11:45 Services:

- Make sure chairs are stacked (kids can do this)
- Spray toys with sanitizer
- Turn off TV by:
 - Close PowerPoint
 - Power off computer
 - Turn off TV
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JOSEPH AND HIS BROTHERS

BIBLE PASSAGE **(GENESIS 37)**

Summary: Joseph was his father's favorite son out of 12 brothers. His brothers hated him. One day, they schemed to throw him into a pit and tell their father he was dead. They sold Joseph to a caravan of traders, and he was taken to Egypt. Joseph encountered more terrible situations, but God was using every moment for good. Eventually, God used Joseph's circumstances to place him in a position of power in Egypt, where he would save many lives.

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LEADER TRAINING: KINDNESS THROUGH CLEANLINESS

Preschoolers notice everything, even the little things we might overlook! When we wipe down tables, wash hands and faces, and sanitize toys with a cleaning solution, we're doing more than keeping germs away. We're showing kids they are loved, valued and cared for!

- **Small Actions Speak Loudly.** Washing hands, sanitizing surfaces and putting toys away might seem routine, but to a kid, it says, "You matter."
- **Clean Spaces Invite Learning.** A tidy, organized space helps kids focus, explore and engage without distractions. Safety and order gives space for curiosity to flourish.
- **Kindness Is Practical.** Acts of care like disinfecting, wiping spills, cleaning faces or laundering blankets reflect God's heart for His own. Love is often shown through service, as well as words.
- **Consistency Matters.** When cleaning is part of the everyday routine, kids feel secure and know what to expect—just like the predictable love of God.

NAVIGATING A BROKEN WORLD: WHY DO BAD THINGS HAPPEN?

One survey indicates that 14 percent of American adults expressed that suffering in the world leads them to believe that there is no God.* This idea can be confusing for kids as they learn that God is good and loving. It is important that we also help them understand who God is. The fact that God is greater than any bad thing that may happen is a biblical worldview you can teach preschoolers. In today's lesson, kids will learn God is in control of everything and He uses bad situations for His glory. Some kids in your group might have experienced trauma that has left them questioning God's goodness. You can be a safe place for them to share their story. It's okay to say something like, "I don't know why that happened, but I do know that God is good and loves you." Reiterate that even in our deepest hurts, God is very real and He is near.

PRESCHOOL GLOSSARY:

Trust: confidence that someone or something will do what is expected

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Lesson ROADMAP

1

BELONG

Small Group (10 MINUTES)

GOAL: For kids to experience God's love through a welcoming community

COLOR MATCH

SUPPLIES: 6 pairs total of colored items (crayons, blocks, toys, paper, books, etc.), bin

2

BIBLE TEACHING

Large Group (15 MINUTES)

JOSEPH AND HIS BROTHERS (GENESIS 37)

SUPPLIES: Bible, Bible story cards

3

BELIEVE

Small Group (10 MINUTES)

GOAL: For kids to discover who God is by engaging with the Bible

PARACHUTE WIGGLE

SUPPLIES: Parachute, music player, Memory Verse Song

4

BECOME

Small Group (10 MINUTES)

GOAL: For kids to learn to follow Jesus by applying faith to their lives

GOD IS TRUSTWORTHY

SUPPLIES: Take-Home page, coloring supplies, printable page, colorful dot stickers (10 per kid)

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Wrap-Up:

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Big Question: Does God ever change? No!

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Review:

He: God can be trusted.

We: God has a plan for us.

Me: God has a plan for me.

[Return to tables for prayer requests](#) - Ask: How can I pray for you (write them on the journal page).



PARACHUTE WIGGLE

SUPPLIES:

Parachute, music player, Memory Verse Song

PREP:

None

LEADER TIP: If you don't have a parachute, use bedsheets instead.

ACTIVITY INTRO:

The Bible teaches us true stories about God. Today we learned God can always be trusted. Joseph trusted God even when bad things happened. God was always with Joseph and had a purpose in all the bad things Joseph went through.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **Say:** We can remember that God is always the same. He never changes! Our memory verse helps us know this about God. It says, *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.* (Hebrews 13:8)
2. **Say:** Let's practice this verse together as we sing our Memory Verse Song!
3. *Lay out the parachute on the ground. Have kids gather around the parachute and pick up the edge of it.*
4. **Say:** When our song plays, let's lift up the parachute as high as we can and then bring it back down low. Then we will move it super fast and make fun waves!
5. *Play the Memory Verse Song. Lead kids in the various parachute movements such as lifting it up high and down low, making fast little waves, choosing a color and having kids switch places.*
6. *Continue to play the song and lead kids to sing along to it.*
7. **Ask:** Who will always be the same?

**ACTIVITY WRAP-UP:**

Does God ever change? No! God can always be trusted. He will never change. We can trust in Him and know that He has a plan.



GOD IS TRUSTWORTHY

SUPPLIES:

Take-Home page, coloring supplies, printable page, colorful dot stickers (10 per kid)

PREP:

Print the Take-Home page (1 per kid). Print the printable page (1 per kid).

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **Say:** Today we learned that God can be trusted. We will make a picture of Joseph's colorful coat and remember that even when all the bad things happened, God still had a plan.
2. *Pass out a printable page and dot stickers to each kid.*
3. *Help kids place the dot stickers onto the circles on the coat.*
4. *As kids place the dot stickers, lead them to say, "God has a plan for me."*
5. *Write each kid's name on their paper/craft and set aside for parent pickup.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Why were Joseph's brothers jealous?
- Did Joseph do anything wrong to be put in jail?
- Did God help free Joseph?
- Who can always be trusted?

PRAY TOGETHER:

Dear God, You are so good, and You can be trusted. Help us to always learn more about You and choose to follow You. Thank You for loving us so much. Amen.

ACTIVITY WRAP-UP:

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BEFORE YOU LEAVE:

After 11:45 Services:

- **Make sure chairs are stacked (kids can do this)**
- **Spray toys with sanitizer**
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- **Place Prayer Journal and Curriculum book in supply tub.**
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THE BURNING BUSH

BIBLE PASSAGE (EXODUS 3)

Summary: God's people were slaves in Egypt and were treated harshly. They called out for God to rescue them. Moses was tending sheep and saw a bush on fire, but it wasn't burning up. Speaking from the bush, God instructed Moses to go to Pharaoh, king of Egypt, and demand that the Israelite people be released. When Moses asked whom he should say sent him, the Lord responded with, "I AM who I AM." God has always existed and always will. God rescued Israel from slavery in Egypt, just like He said He would.

Today's Brite Idea is: God will forever be God.



MONTHLY Memory Verse

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yesterday and today
and forever.*

(HEBREWS 13:8)



BIG QUESTION

Does God ever change? No!



God lives
forever!



God is always
with us.



God is always
with me.

LEADER TRAINING: ATTENTIVENESS IS CARE

Preschoolers are small, curious and full of joyful energy. They explore, climb and wander ... often faster than we notice! Keeping our eyes on the room shows kids that we serve a God who has His eyes on them.

- **Vigilance Is Care.** When we stay attentive, kids feel safe and valued. Every eye contact, leading with clear instruction, and setting boundaries communicated you value them.
- **Classroom Rules.** Setting clear expectations helps kids know what is to be expected of them in your space. Lead with care by setting classroom rules, such as listening to teachers, and keeping hands and feet to themselves.
- **Intentional Observation.** Scan the room, notice small details and be aware of each kid's location and needs. Your awareness reflects God's watchful care over His own.

NAVIGATING A BROKEN WORLD: WHERE DID GOD COME FROM?

Kids are taught that everything has a beginning. Babies and puppies are born, chickens come from eggs and plants come from seeds. But where did God come from? This question is one of the most commonly asked by kids. As concrete thinkers, it is challenging for them to grasp that God has no beginning. In today's lesson, kids will learn that God is eternal. He has always existed and will exist forever. Emphasize that He has no beginning and He wasn't created. Point out that this is one of many ways that God is different from people and all His creation. Help kids understand that there are parts of God that we will never fully grasp with our human minds, and that's okay!

PRESCHOOL GLOSSARY:

Eternal: always existed
and always will

Pharaoh: a great ruler

Plagues: a very bad
thing that causes disaster

1

BELONG

Small Group (10 MINUTES)

GOAL: For kids to experience God's love through a welcoming community

GUESS WHO?

SUPPLIES: None

2

BIBLE TEACHING

Large Group (15 MINUTES)

THE BURNING BUSH (EXODUS 3)

SUPPLIES: Bible, Bible story cards

3

BELIEVE

Small Group (10 MINUTES)

GOAL: For kids to discover who God is by engaging with the Bible

**GOD LIVES
FOREVER**

SUPPLIES: Hula Hoop, 6 beanbags

4

BECOME

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GOAL: For kids to learn to follow Jesus by applying faith to their lives

**SPINNING
TOPS**

SUPPLIES: Take-Home page, coloring supplies, printable page, toothpick (2 per kid), scissors (prep)

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Big Question: Does God ever change? No!

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GOD LIVES FOREVER

SUPPLIES:

Hula Hoop, 6 beanbags

PREP:

None

ACTIVITY INTRO:

The Bible teaches us true stories about God. Today we learned God lives forever. God spoke to Moses in a burning bush and rescued the Israelites from Egypt. God reminded Moses that He is and always will be God, the great I AM.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **Say:** God lives forever, which means that God will always be there. This Hula Hoop is a circle. A circle never ends. It can help us understand how God is forever and will never have an end.
2. **Say:** We will each take turns throwing two beanbags into the Hula Hoop. When you throw the beanbags, say, "God lives forever!"
3. *Lay down the Hula Hoop and line up kids behind it. Give the first kid two beanbags to throw into the Hula Hoop.*
4. *Encourage other kids to clap and cheer them on. Help the kid throwing the beanbags say, "God lives forever!"*
5. *Repeat the activity, giving every kid a turn or several turns as time allows.*
6. **Ask:** Will God always be there?

**ACTIVITY WRAP-UP:**

God will always be there. He lives forever! We trust in God and know that He will always be with us.



SPINNING TOPS

SUPPLIES:

Take-Home page, coloring supplies, printable page, toothpick (2 per kid), scissors (prep)

PREP:

Print the Take-Home page (1 per kid). Print the printable page and cut out (2 circles per kid).

LEADER TIP: For an example, see our resource page at: britecurriculum.com/resources

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **Say:** God will always be God. God will never change. Today we learned God spoke to Moses and rescued His people, the Israelites. God always keeps His promises and will always be with us.
2. **Say:** We will make two fun spinning tops per kid. When we spin them, we can remember that even though the tops will stop spinning, God never stops—He will always be with us!
3. *Pass out two pre-cut circles per kid. Lead kids to color in and decorate their circles with the coloring supplies.*
4. *Then use the toothpick to poke a hole through the center of each circle.*
5. *Demonstrate how to spin the spinning tops.*
6. *As kids spin them, have kids say, "God is always with me! God will never change. I can count on God."*
7. *Write each kid's name on their craft and set aside for parent pickup.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Why did Moses take off his sandals?
- Whom did God tell Moses to speak to?
- Did Moses think he could help rescue God's people?
- Did God keep His promise?

PRAY TOGETHER:

Dear God, thank You for this Bible story. Help us know that You are always with us. We love You so much. In Jesus' name, amen.

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THE WILDERNESS

BIBLE PASSAGE (EXODUS 13:1-17:6)

Summary: God freed the Israelites from Egypt. They traveled toward the land God had promised Abraham long ago. God provided for their needs over and over. He appeared as a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night to guide them. When the Egyptians chased them, God split the Red Sea so they could safely cross. He provided quail and manna from heaven when they were hungry, and He gave them water from a rock when they were thirsty.

Today's Brite Idea is: God provides for us.



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BIG QUESTION

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God provides.



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LEADER TRAINING: BE READY FOR WHEN THINGS GO WRONG

Even in the most carefully prepared rooms, accidents will still happen. A spill, a tumble or a frustrated outburst isn't a failure on your part (although it will probably feel like it!). Instead, it's an opportunity to show God's grace in real time.

- **Calm Is Contagious.** Kids watch how adults respond, taking their cues from them. When we stay calm and gentle, they feel safe, understood and cared for.
- **Honesty Builds Trust.** A simple explanation ("Oops! Let's clean up that spill together.") teaches accountability without shame. Kids can learn that mistakes don't break love or trust.
- **Grace In Action.** Responding with patience, calmness, kindness, empathy and guidance points kids to Jesus, who meets us in our mistakes with forgiveness and gentle care.

NAVIGATING A BROKEN WORLD: HUNGER

According to the organization Feeding America, one in eight American kids face hunger.*

Sometimes we think hunger is a problem kids encounter in other parts of the world, but it is also a real issue in America. You may have kids in your group whose families are considered food insecure. In addition to causing health issues, hunger can also cause behavioral and learning issues. By providing small, healthy snacks in your group, you can help kids who struggle with hunger to better settle in for discipleship. In today's lesson, kids will learn that God provides what we need. This idea may be challenging for kids whose parents struggle with providing food. You can help kids understand that God is with them and He knows what they need. They can see that everything they have is a gift from God, and while He may not provide everything we want, He is with us in our difficulties and has a plan for our lives.

PRESCHOOL GLOSSARY:

Pharaoh: a great ruler

Provide: to give

Manna: fine, flaky bread

Quail: a type of bird

*For more resources on this topic, check out: [britecurriculum.com/resources](https://www.britecurriculum.com/resources)

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BELONG

Small Group (10 MINUTES)

GOAL: For kids to experience God's love through a welcoming community

WILDERNESS DISCOVERY

SUPPLIES: Bin, 3 magnifying glasses, rocks, sand, 4 scoops, 4 mini cups

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BIBLE TEACHING

Large Group (15 MINUTES)

THE WILDERNESS (EXODUS 13:1–17:6)

SUPPLIES: Bible, Bible story cards

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BELIEVE

Small Group (10 MINUTES)

GOAL: For kids to discover who God is by engaging with the Bible

GOD PROVIDES

SUPPLIES: Music player, Memory Verse Song, paper, bin, scissors (prep)

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BECOME

Small Group (10 MINUTES)

GOAL: For kids to learn to follow Jesus by applying faith to their lives

GOD MAKES A WAY

SUPPLIES: Take-Home page, coloring supplies, printable page, fish stickers (3 per kid), washable ink pads, baby wipes

Pray for each regular attendee by name. Pray for those who might visit your group for the first time. Pray specifically for kids who are typically overlooked by others. Pray that they would be made to feel special and valued. Also pray for kids who are typically doing the “overlooking.” Ask God to show them other kids who need to feel valued. Pray that these kids would work to make others feel included and special.

Before Kids Arrive

- Go through your supply tub and make sure you have all the supplies you need for the morning. (we do sometimes make mistakes 😊)

Arrival

Kids will be with their parents for worship and be dismissed to meet you in the Bridge Kids Lobby. During the kids blessing, come to the Bridge Kids Lobby and get your Attendance Book.

Welcome kids and verify you have all kids listed in the book (and that all kids ARE listed in the book. Any kids not listed will need to be checked in by the Welcome Desk).

As kids come in:

- Have kids select and sit on carpet squares
- Hand out snack
- Play story video (press down arrow on keyboard)

Wrap-Up:

Say: Now it's time to answer our Big Question. Can you all help me do a drumroll? Ready? 1, 2, 3 ... drumroll!

Show the Big Question and Answer Teaching Image.

Big Question: Does God ever change? No!

Monthly Memory Verse

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)

Verse Video:

Watch the Memory Verse Video and practice the motions with the kids.

Memory Verse Motions:

Help kids recite and retain the memory verse by teaching it with motions. Before you teach the verse, be sure to explain what it means.

- Jesus Christ (*point to the palms of your hands*)
- is the same (*clap your hands*)
- yesterday (*point backward*)
- and today (*point down*)
- and forever. (*point out*)
- Hebrews 13:8 (*open hands like a book*)

Review:

He: God provides.

We: God provides for us.

Me: God provides for me.

[Return to tables for prayer requests](#) - Ask: How can I pray for you (write them on the journal page).



GOD PROVIDES

SUPPLIES:

Music player, Memory Verse Song, paper, bin, scissors (prep)

PREP:

Cut the paper into pieces to represent manna. Put all the cut pieces into the bin.

ACTIVITY INTRO:

The Bible teaches us true stories about God. Today we learned God provides. God provided for His people by rescuing them, making a way through the Red Sea and providing food and water. God never changes, and He is always faithful.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. *Take the bin and scatter the pre-cut paper all around your space.*
2. **Say:** Let's practice our memory verse by listening to our Memory Verse Song.
3. **Say:** I have put "manna" all over our space. As we listen to the song, let's go and gather it. Then as you put the pieces into the bin, we will say a word of the memory verse for each piece.
4. *Play the Memory Verse Song and lead kids to work together to gather the manna.*
5. *After the song, lead kids to put the manna in the bin and say one word of the verse for every piece they put in: Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)*
6. *Repeat the song and play again, having kids scatter the manna and then regather it.*
7. **Ask:** How did God take care of His people?

ACTIVITY WRAP-UP:

God provides. He never changes. He will always be with us, and He will stay the same forever. God provided for His people, and He provides for us, too.



GOD MAKES A WAY

SUPPLIES:

Take-Home page, coloring supplies, printable page, fish stickers (3 per kid), washable ink pads, baby wipes

PREP:

Print the Take-Home page (1 per kid).

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **Say:** God provided for the Israelites. When it seemed impossible, God made a way through the Red Sea. Let's make a craft to remember that God provided for His people and can provide for us!
2. *Pass out a printable page and coloring supplies to each kid. Have kids scribble and color on the picture.*
3. *Lay out the washable ink pads. Show kids how they can press their fingers into their ink pad and then onto their papers to decorate them.*
4. *Give each kid fish stickers. Help them put the stickers on the water part of their picture.*
5. *As kids decorate their pages, share how God can provide for them.*
6. *Clean kids' hands with the baby wipes.*
7. *Write each kid's name on their paper and set aside for parent pickup.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- What did God provide for His people?
- Did the Israelites always trust in God?
- Why did the Israelites complain?
- Does God ever change?

PRAY TOGETHER:

Dear God, thank You for being a Provider. Thank You for loving us and caring for us. Help us to trust in You and know that You will always provide. Amen.

ACTIVITY WRAP-UP:

Give each kid a Take-Home page. With remaining time, kids can play in centers or color the Take-Home page.

Extra Time?

- Work on Books of the Bible
- Work on Memory Verse
 - BEAN BAG: Have children toss a bean bag to each other and when they catch the bean bag they say the next word in the verse
 - POPCORN: Have children sit in a circle and jump up in turn and say the next word of the verse, sitting down quickly after saying their word
 - HAND MOTIONS: Either you or the kids make up hand motions to key words or phrases of the verse. Practice and then have a competition between boys and girls.

Greet parents at the door. Make sure you match their security tag with Attendance Book. Have them initial Attendance Book (their security tag and child's nametag can be given to Welcome Desk for nametag ball.)

Hand each parent:

- Any craft/activity page

BEFORE YOU LEAVE:

After 11:45 Services:

- **Make sure chairs are stacked (kids can do this)**
- **Spray toys with sanitizer**
- **Turn off TV by:**
 - **Close PowerPoint**
 - **Power off computer**
 - **Turn off TV**
- **Put everything away – all tables and counters should be completely empty**
- **Place Prayer Journal and Curriculum book in supply tub.**
- **Return Prayer Sheet, Blue Report (if needed) and Attendance Book to Welcome Desk**
- **Take supply tub to Resource Room**