

CITY LG – April 16TH/17TH Daring Faith Week #3

Theme: Dare to OBEY

Bible Story: Joshua and the Israelites cross the Jordan River – *Joshua 3,4*

Bottom Line: In order for me to have Daring Faith, I need to obey what God asks me to do.

Memory Verse: “Be on your guard. Remain strong in the faith. Be brave.” 1 Corinthians 16:13
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Host is on stage dressed in the costume to become out Daring Faith Host, Montana Duke. There is a hat, a cheap jacket, a satchel, and a rope. SGL: PLEASE wear the costume!!! If you are not comfortable with the size of the jacket, that is fine, just please wear the hat, satchel and rope. If you have a leather jacket or khaki shirt, that would be great. The stage (or on the floor in front of the stage) will need

CG: Daring Faith

Opener

HOST: “Hey, everybody! Welcome to the third week in our series, Daring Faith! I am Montana Duke and we are going to be taking a journey below the Earth to explore! We are going underground to explore what it means to be daring in our Faith. Today we are going to **Dare to Obey!**”

CG: Dare To Obey

During this month we have been trying to see just how daring and brave and courageous and mighty you really are!! It’s like our memory verse says,

CG: Memory Verse

“Be on your guard. Remain strong in the faith. Be brave.” 1 Corinthians 16:13

(LARGE GROUP LEADER: Here is the link so you get a better understanding of how this game will be played: <http://funninja.org/project/bumper-bubbles/>)

CG: Daring Faith Challenge

You will get to prove how brave you are each week with a Daring Faith Challenge!!

Now for today’s challenge I need 4 people who are daring enough to take on a tough physical challenge. (*Pick 4 kids who have NOT participated in either of the last two weeks’ Challenges*) Let’s get our 4 challengers up here.

Now I need 6 people to be the whackers! You are going to challenge these competitors to see how brave they really are! (*Choose 6 more people who have not participated yet and give them each a pool noodle*)

Let's meet our Daring Faith Challengers! (*Introduce kids*) Do you think they 4 individuals are brave and mighty enough for a challenge that will test their physical strength??

OK, Whackers, I need you to stand over here with your pool noodles.

Our competitors will participate one at a time in this challenge. So let's get our first brave soul up here.

Let's look at the screen to hear from our trusted cave friend Boulderdash who has the instructions for our Challenge:

Video: Talking Rock Face Video

Tech: There will be 4 one-minute timers at the end of the talking face video. After the first one is done, PAUSE it until the second person is ready to go. You will do this for all for challengers

This is what the talking face will say: (I am including this in case the Talking Head Video does not work)

"Welcome back everyone to DARING FAITH!!!! My name is Boulderdash! This week we have 4 teams daring to take on another tough physical challenge to see how BRAVE they really are! Let's get our competitors into their spots. When I say, "GO". You will run through the whackers and attach two balloons to their shirt using the clips. When it is attached you must run back through the whackers in hopes that the whackers will be un able to whack any of the balloons off their shirt. The team of runners who get the most balloons past the whackers are the winners! Everyone in the audience, pick a team to root for!! One minute) on the clock please ...and GO!!! Great job competitors!! Make sure you come back next week for another Daring competition!"

SETTING UP THE STORY

Like I said, we are going on an exploration to see what it means to have Daring Faith. Today we are going to Dare to Obey!

CG: Dare to trust

Let me hear you say that...DARE TO OBEY!! Today we are talking about God asks us to do things for Him. He wants us to OBEY him, but not everything he asks us to do can be easy for us. BUT, the good thing is that God will always help us accomplish those tasks he gives us.

The Bible is full of stories where God asked someone to do something hard or even impossible but God has helped him or her every time. It's the same with us. There may be moments in our lives where we feel like God is leading us to do something. Maybe its telling someone about Jesus, giving up something we really want, or forgiving someone we are mad at. And when he leads us to do something, he wants us to OBEY him. But no matter what the task is, if God wants us to do it, He will help us accomplish it!

Were you here last week to see our video with Kit Windswept? Well, Kit Windswept is a world famous treasure hunter! And she is exploring underground right now, trying to find the lost treasure of the pirate Blue Boots. Let's check in with Kit and Angus. I think Kit learns about getting help with things we are asked to do.

Let's see what happens....

Video: Week Three Skit and Bible story

WRAPPING UP THE STORY

That was awesome how Angus helped Kit climb up that rock. And that was awesome how when God told Joshua to cross the river, he obeyed, even though it seemed impossible! God helped the Israelites cross that river by stopping the flow of water! I don't know about you, but some of the things God tells us to do seem really hard. Like being kind to everyone. There are some people that I just don't want to be nice to!

(Storyteller: Include a story of something God wanted you to do that was hard)

But it gives me peace to know that when God gives me something he wants me to do, if I obey him I can be sure He will help me do it! Its like our bottom line for today says,

CG: Bottom Line

Bottom Line: In order to have Daring Faith, I need to obey what God asks me to do.

Let's say that together, "In order to have daring faith, I need to trust that God will provide for my needs." All month long we are talking about how we can be daring in our faith. And in order to obey all that God asks us to do it DOES take daring faith!!

Now, I want to see how Daring YOU are! We have a challenge for EVERYONE to participate in this month. Some of you who have been here one of the last two weeks have heard this. Remember: IF you finish the challenge you will win a very valuable prize! How many people like to go to Water parks in the summer??? Well, we are getting closer to the summer and if you commit to this challenge you will win a pass to a local Water Park! Here is what you will do: *(Have the leaders pass out the lanyards and booklets if they haven't already)*

Everyone has a lanyard. In your lanyard is a Daring Faith Book. Each of the next Five weeks will have a different challenge. AFTER we learn a new story from the Bible about Daring Faith we want you to take your book home and complete the question. You are NOT answering it here at church; you are taking it home to think about. Bring the booklet back next week and you will receive a jewel sticker for your booklet. Everyone turn to the last pages in the book that says, "Daring Faith Sticker Pages." Each week you BRING your book back with your challenge completed, you will earn a jewel sticker and can stick it here. At the end of the five weeks, if you have ALL FIVE jewels stickers you will receive a FREE pass to a water park!

You cannot work ahead. You can't come back next week with all of your challenges completed. We are going to focus on ONE WAY we can daring in our faith each week. Now you may say, "Montana Duke, but I don't come to church every single week!" That's ok. IF you miss weeks, you may go ahead and complete the challenges of the weeks you have missed. If you miss three weeks, and the next time you come to church you have all three of those weeks' challenges completed, you will get those three Jewels for you book.

Bring your lanyard and booklet back with you every week. You will NOT get another lanyard so don't lose them!! Let's look together at this week's Challenge, (*Read Week #3 in the booklet*)

I challenge you to complete this at home and bring your lanyard back next week for a jewel. If you need help, ask your parents. This is a great thing for you to talk to your parents about; they may have some great ideas for you!

"Let's pray."

Pray

"God, we know you ask us to do things that will help us to live the way you want us to. Help us to have daring Faith to obey you. Thank you that you will always be there to help us if we obey. We love you and we ask these things in Jesus' name, amen."

Dismiss children to their Small Groups.