

CITY SG – April 2nd/3rd (Daring Faith Week 1)

Theme: Dare to LEARN

Bible Story: The story of the wise and foolish builders • *Matthew 7:24-27*

Bottom Line: In order for me to have Daring Faith, I need to learn what God has to teach me in his word.

Memory Verse: “Be on your guard. Remain strong in the faith. Be brave.” 1 Corinthians 16:13
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Strong Tower Toss Game:

What You Need: Game board, a few pennies in a baggie

What You Do:

Divide your children up into teams. Give one player a penny and let him or her try to throw the penny on game board. Ask the child or team a question. If it is answered correctly, the team gets the points indicated on the game board. Keep playing until the children know all the answers to the questions.

Questions:

- Today we learned about two builders. What did we call the builders? (The wise and foolish builders)
- Where did the wise man build his house? (On the rock)
- Where did the foolish man build his house? (On the sand)
- What happened to the house built on the rock when it started to rain? (Stood strong)
- What happened to the house built on the sand when it started to rain? (washed away)
- If we listen to God and obey, are we like the wise man or the foolish man? (wise)
- We are talking about Daring Faith all month. Today we are talking about how you should dare to what? (Learn)
- Where do you go to learn what God has to teach us? (His word or the Bible)
- What book of the Bible is the story of the wise and foolish builders in? (Matthew)
- In the video today, what did Kit Windswept tie the rope to the first time? (herself)
- What happened because she tied it to herself? (Angus fell)
- Where did she tie the rope the second time? (a rock)
- How come he did not fall when she tied the rope to the rock? (The rock was strong)

What You Say:

“Great job remembering our story today. If we are going to have Daring Faith, we first need to LEARN what God has to teach me in his word.”

Painted Rocks

What You Need: Flat landscape rocks (one per child), paint markers, permanent markers, small paper plates (one per child)

What You Say:

“We learned today that we need to read our Bible, come to church and do other things to be learn about Jesus. When we do those things we become strong in our faith and know how to handle things in our

lives the way Jesus wants us to. When we don't do those things, we don't have a strong foundation in Jesus. We make the wrong decisions and don't handle things the way he wants us to. Jesus is our rock!! When we stay close to him, and learn more about him, we have that strong foundation that Jesus was telling us about in our Bible story today about the wise and foolish builders. Let's make something that will remind us that Jesus is our rock! Put this somewhere at home where you will see it and remember that: *In order for me to have Daring Faith, I need to learn what God has to teach me in his word.*

What You Do:

Give each child a paper plate and a rock. First, have them paint the rock using the paint markers. After they have done that, they can take a permanent marker to write, "Jesus is my rock" on their rock

Pass the Rock Memory Verse Game

What You Need: One set of rocks with one word from the verse written on each rock

What You Do:

Have the children sit in a circle. Give one of the rocks that says a word from the memory verse to one of the students and pick one child to be the guesser. Tell your children to try and pass the rock around the circle without letting the guesser see it. The object of the game is to fool the person guessing. The children can fake passing or pretend to pass it in two different directions. After a short period of time call "stop" and let the guesser try to guess whom he thinks has the rock. You may want to give him more than one chance. Once he or she guesses, put that rock in the middle of the circle. Continue playing until all of the rocks with the words from the memory verse are in the middle of the circle. Put the rocks in order to create the memory verse as a group. Say the verse together a few times.

**Note* If this seems to difficult for the younger kids, you can just have the guesser turn around while the kids pass the rock and guess who is holding it once they turn around.*

Extra Time Coloring Sheet

What you will need: One copy of the coloring sheet per child

What you do:

Have your children color all the shapes that have an "o" to find out the answer to the question.

Pray

What You Say:

"Heavenly Father, thank You for your word the Bible! Thank You that we can read it and learn how to have a strong foundation in you. Please help us to remember to keep learning more about you so we can live the way you want us to and have the best life possible! In Jesus' mighty name we pray, amen."

Encourage the kids to fill out the page for WEEK 1 in their Daring Faith booklet. Remind them that they will earn a jewel when they bring it back. If they earn all 5 jewels, they will win a pass to go to a water park!