

ALLEY LG– April 30/May 1 Daring Faith Week #5

Theme: Dare to SHARE

Bible Story: Jesus' question and Peter's answer – *Matthew 16:13-19*

Bottom Line: In order for me to have Daring Faith, I need to share what I know about God with others.

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. There will a pool filled with gems and slime on the stage covered with a tablecloth.

CG: Daring Faith

Opener

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

CG: Dare To Share

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

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 four weeks' Challenges*) Let's get our 4 challengers up here and stand around this pool. For this challenge you need to be more BRAVE, more MIGHTY and more DARING than any of our other four challenges. Because of that, you need to be protected! Each of you will need to wear this garbage bag and these goggles. (*Take the cover off of the pool*) All you need to do is find the most gems and put them in your bucket. No big deal!! However, in order to find the gems you will need to dig through SLIME!!!

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

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 our FINAL weekend of DARING FAITH!!!! My name is BoulderDash!
This game is call SLIME FIND!!! We need 4 competitors to the stage. Inside the pool are gems and SLIME. On
GO the competitors will dig through the slime to find the gems. The team with the most gems win! I need 1 minute
on the clock.....and GO!! Great job competitors!! Thank you so much for joining, me, BoulderDash, these past 5
weeks of DARING FAITH!!!!!!"*

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 Share!

CG: Dare to Share

"We have a great story today, taken from the Gospel of Matthew. You see, Jesus had done lots of miraculous things when he was on Earth and lots of people had started following Him. Some people followed Him because they wanted to see what He might do next. Some probably followed Him because they had been there the day He multiplied the bread to feed the crowds and they just wanted a free meal! Others followed Him because they knew there was something different about Him and they wanted to know more.

"In those days, there was a lot of talk about this carpenter's Son from Nazareth. Who was He? What were people supposed to believe about Him? One particular day, Jesus was with His disciples at a place called Caesarea Philippi. And He asked them a very important question.

Let's see what happens....

Video: 252 Bible Story Video

WRAPPING UP THE STORY

"That was a great story! It was cool to see how Peter was willing to talk about God without worrying about what others might say. A lot of people had made up their minds about who Jesus was—like a teacher or prophet. Some people even said some pretty bad things about Him, like He was a fake or a liar. But Peter came right out and said, 'Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God!'

"You know, that question Jesus asked His disciples is a question He still asks us today. We can listen around to hear what others say about Jesus, but each one of us has to answer that question. Who do you think Jesus is? Do you think He is just a good teacher or storyteller? Do you think He is just a prophet who can do some pretty cool miracles? Or do you believe what Jesus said about Himself—that He is the Son of God?

"It is not always easy for us to talk about God. Sometimes we may feel a little uncomfortable with it. One of the really cool things about coming here to [name of your environment] is that you can know that this is a place where you can talk about God and you'll hear other people talking about God, like those

on this stage or your Small Group Leaders. Maybe you have family or friends that you feel comfortable talking about God with. You have to be daring to talk about God. It is like our bottom line says....

CG: Bottom Line Slide

“In order for me to have Daring Faith, I need to share what I know about God with others.”

“When you talk about God with people like that, it helps you work out what you believe and think. It helps you get used to talking about God out loud. And when you’re comfortable talking about God with people who believe and think the same as you, then you’ll be more comfortable talking about God to people who don’t know Him.

All month long we have been talking about how we can be daring in our faith. And in order to share with others about God it DOES take daring faith!!

Let’s pray:

“God, thank You for the great story we heard today about Peter and how bold he was to call Jesus the Son of God. Sometimes it can be hard for us to talk about You because we don’t know what to say or we are worried about what others will think. Please help us to have daring faith as we talk about God this week. We love You and we ask these things in Jesus’ name, amen.”

Daring Faith Challenge:

Now, I want to remind you of our daring faith challenge! We have a challenge for EVERYONE to participate in this month. Some of you who have been here one of the last four 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 Five weeks had 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. IF you have ALL FIVE jewels stickers you will receive a FREE pass to a water park!

Bring your lanyard and booklet back with you NEXT week. We will have the water park passes here NEXT week! IF you have all 5 gems you will get a free pass! IF you are not here next week, bring it the next time you are here. You HAVE to have the book with the jewels to get the water park pass so DON’T forget to bring it! Let’s look together at this week’s Challenge, *(Read Week #5 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 you parents. This is a great thing for you to talk to your parents about; they may have some great ideas for you!

Dismiss children to their Small Groups.