

CITY SG – April 30th/May 1st (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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Names For Jesus Poster:

What You Need: Names for Jesus activity sheets, colored cardstock, glue stick, scissors, religious foam stickers

What You Do:

Show the kids the names of God that are in the bin. Let them each choose one name and cut apart the letters. Have them make a name for Jesus poster by gluing the names to a piece of cardstock. Give them stickers or fun foam shapes to decorate the rest of the page. Encourage them to give the poster to someone else to share with them who God is. Or the kids can bring it home and hang it somewhere they can always see it to remind them of who God is to them and that they should share that with others.

Ask review questions as the kids work:

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- What is the first question Jesus asked? (v.13)?
- What is the second question? (v.15)?
- What did Peter say? (v.16)?
- How did Jesus respond to Peter's statement? (vv.17-19)?

What You Say:

"Great job remembering our story today. If we are going to have Daring Faith, we need to SHARE what we know about God with others."

Dependawhatable?

What You Need: lots of blocks, a cone, a playground sized ball, a large block

What You Do: God We are going to talk about being dependable to God. But what does being dependable look like? We are going to find out. Divide into two groups. One group will use these blocks to build a tower on this big block. The other group will use the blocks to build a tower on the tip of this cone or ball.

What You Say:

Which was a better foundation? The block was a dependable foundation and the cone/ball wasn't. No matter what you did, the cone/ball let you down, but the block was solid. God wants us to be dependable. He wants to be able to count on us to do his work. And that work is to tell others about him. We should be telling others about who Jesus is so that he can change their life. If we don't tell them, they may never hear it!. Just like our main point says, **In order to have daring faith, I need to share what I know about God with others.**

God Is ...

What You Need: Sticky labels, pens

What You Do:

Sit in a circle with the kids and explain that you're going to play a game similar to "I'm Going on a Picnic." But instead of saying things you'd take on a picnic, you're going to finish the phrase, "God is ...". The first person will say one word, such as, "God is good." The second person will say what the first person said and then add another word, such as, "God is good and powerful." Continue around the circle until everyone has had a turn.

Then ask kids to choose their favorite word from the game and say it in the sentence: "God is awesome." Hand out stickers and pens, and help each child write their sentence. Then ask kids to stick their labels to their shirts.

What You Say:

"The Bible tells us to practice talking about God. When we talk about God, other people learn about Him and how *(say three or four of the words from the game)* God is! And you know what? When someone else reads your sticker out loud, they will also be talking about God! Just like our main point says, **In order to have daring faith, I need to share what I know about God with others.**

Pray**What You Say:**

"Heavenly Father, thank you for all that you are to us. Help us to remember what we've learned about you and help us to tell others about you. In Jesus' mighty name we pray, amen."

Encourage the kids to fill out the page for WEEK 5 in their Daring Faith booklet at home this week. 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!