

April Week 4



April 23rd/24th

OVERVIEW CARD

DARE TO SHARE WEEK 4

Key Question:

Who has a plan for you?

Bottom Line:

God has a plan for me.

Memory Verse:

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

Bible Story Focus:

I am part of God's plan.
Joseph Saves the Grain
Genesis 41; Ephesians 2:10

Coloring Page:

Joseph helps Pharaoh.

Music:

Whatever, Wherever
Praise the Lord Everyday
I Can Do All Things
Great Big God

Bible Lesson:

The Beginner's Bible
Pharaoh's Dream
Pages 78 to 85

Story:

Let's Share
by P.K. Hallinan

Service Time:

67 minutes (week 4)

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ACTIVITY 1

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7 Times to Move

Big Idea:

"7 Times to Move" is an activity that is silly and fun for the children but also incorporates a key concept of the Bible lesson.

What You Need: No supplies needed

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Have the children stand in a circle with you in the middle.

During the Activity: Do several movements with the children. Do each activity seven times. For example: hop on one leg, touch toes, pat head, pat tummy, hop on two feet, and turn around in a circle. Count as you do each one. Always do seven of each.

After the Activity: Repeat as desired.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's all stand in a circle! I am going to say a movement and we are all going to do it SEVEN TIMES, just like the king who had a dream of the seven cows. Are you ready?"

During the Activity: "Hop on one foot! Let's hop on one foot seven times! (*Hop seven times.*) Great job! Now let's touch our toes seven times." (*Continue with activity.*)

After the Activity: "Whew! I am pooped! Doing all of those things seven times was hard! God told the king in a dream that they would have seven years of a lot of food and seven years with no food. He led Joseph there to help them! It was all in God's plan! God has a plan for all of us! God wants us to love everyone and share His love with everyone! **Who has a plan for you? God has a plan for me!** (*Point up with index fingers*) **I can BELIEVE!** (*Point to eye then clasp hands together*) **I can PRAY!** (*Point to eye then place hands together like you are praying*). **I can TRUST!** (*Point to eye then cross arms in front of you making a 'T' with fists closed.*) **I can SHARE!** (*Point to eye then place arms in front of you with palms up and hands together.*)"

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ACTIVITY 2

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Collecting Grain

Big Idea:

"Collecting Grain" is an activity that reinforces this week's Bible lesson while children use gross motor skills, hand-eye coordination, and balance.

What You Need: Pompoms in three different colors, construction paper to match the pompoms, three containers, scissors, and tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Cut a piece of construction paper in half and tape one color to each container. Place all three containers in an open area on the floor. Scatter the pompoms around the floor. Keep a container of pompoms to use during the activity.

During the Activity: Encourage kids to pick up the "grain" and place it in the corresponding colored containers. Keep tossing pompoms as the kids collect. Repeat as many times as desired.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Friends, look at all the pompoms on the floor. Let's pretend it's grain. Come help me gather the grain and put it in these containers."

During the Activity: "Put this color in this container and that color in that container. Go grab the grain! *(Pause.)* Great job! Now bring it back and put it in the matching container. *(Pause.)* Look, there's more grain! Keep collecting! *(Pause.)* Super duper! You collected all the grain! Let's do it again." *(Toss out the pompoms and repeat.)*

After the Activity: "That was so much fun! Come sit with me. Today our Bible lesson was about people collecting the grain and storing it to have for later. Then they had to SHARE the stored up grain with everyone when they ran out of grain. Joseph was able to help feed a LOT of people with all the grain he saved. It was all part God's special plan for him. When you help others, you're being used by God. It's all part of His plan for you. God wants us to love everyone and share His love with everyone! **Who has a plan for you? God has a plan for me!** *(Point up with index fingers)* **I can BELIEVE!** *(Point to eye then clasp hands together)* **I can PRAY!** *(Point to eye then place hands together like you are praying).* **I can TRUST!** *(Point to eye then cross arms in front of you making a 'T' with fists closed.)* **I can SHARE!** *(Point to eye then place arms in front of you with palms up and hands together.)"*

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ACTIVITY 3

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Pass It Down

Big Idea:

"Pass It Down" is an activity that helps kids recite this month's Memory Verse as they pass bags down the line to be placed into a basket.

What You Need: A laundry basket, brown paper lunch bags, and newspaper

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Crumple newspaper and fill paper bags. Make enough bags to fill the laundry basket. Place the bags in one end of the area and the laundry basket on the other end.

During the Activity: Sit kids in a line from the bags to the basket with a leader on either end or a leader at the end with the bags. Pass the bags down the line as you say the Memory Verse together. Repeat as many times as desired.

After the Activity: Say the Bottom Line together.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Come sit down in a line. You sit here (*help kids sit in a line*) and you sit here. (*Pause.*) When we say our Memory Verse we'll pass these bags down the line and then put them in the basket. Remember in our Bible lesson Joseph helped collect the grain and stored it away. Let's pretend these bags are full of grain like in our lesson."

During the Activity: "Say it with me and pass the bags down. (*Start passing the bags.*) 'Be on your guard. Remain strong in the faith. Be brave,' 1 Corinthians 16:13. (*Keep passing the bags.*) Say it again. 'Be on your guard. Remain strong in the faith. Be brave,' 1 Corinthians 16:13. (*Continue until all bags have been passed down.*) That was super fun. We were like Joseph, storing up all the grain!"

After the Activity: "Joseph was able to help feed a LOT of people with all the grain he saved. It was all part God's special plan for him. When you help others, you're being used by God. It's all part of His plan for you. God wants us to love everyone and share His love with everyone! **Who has a plan for you? God has a plan for me!** (*Point up with index fingers*) **I can BELIEVE!** (*Point to eye then clasp hands together*) **I can PRAY!** (*Point to eye then place hands together like you are praying*). **I can TRUST!** (*Point to eye then cross arms in front of you making a 'T' with fists closed.*) **I can SHARE!** (*Point to eye then place arms in front of you with palms up and hands together.*)"

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ACTIVITY 4 – 4's/5's

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Joseph's in Command

Big Idea:

"Joseph's in Command" is an activity that uses listening and gross motor skills to review today's Bible lesson and Bottom Line.

What You Need: No supplies needed

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Allow kids to choose a partner (or choose one for them). Explain that one of them will need to play the role of Joseph and be "in charge." Joseph can give simple commands such as clap your hands, stomp your feet, pat your legs, etc., but he must say, "Joseph says," before each command.

During the Activity: Give the kids a few minutes to play and then have them switch roles so that the other partner gets to play "Joseph."

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We're going to play a super fun game today! Have you ever played 'Simon Says'?" (Pause.) Today's game is like 'Simon Says,' but in our game, JOSEPH says. So let's pair up! Great. Now choose one person to be Joseph. When I say, 'Go,' all of my Josephs may start giving simple commands to your partners. You could say things like, 'Touch your toes,' or, 'Do jumping jacks,' or, 'Run in place.'"

During the Activity: "Are you ready? Raise your hand if you're a Joseph. (Pause.) Awesome. OK ... go! (Interrupt play after a couple of minutes.) Okay, everybody, FREEZE! Now switch and let the other person play Joseph."

After the Activity: "God had a BIG plan for Joseph. In today's lesson, we learned that Joseph was put in charge of a whole country. People had to listen to what he said and follow his commands, just like in our game today. I'm so glad that Joseph trusted that God had a special plan for him. Does God have a plan for you too? (Pause.) He sure does. **Who has a plan for you? God has a plan for me!** (Point up with index fingers) **I can BELIEVE!** (Point to eye then clasp hands together) **I can PRAY!** (Point to eye then place hands together like you are praying). **I can TRUST!** (Point to eye then cross arms in front of you making a 'T' with fists closed.) **I can SHARE!** (Point to eye then place arms in front of you with palms up and hands together.)"

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Saving Grain

Big Idea:

“Saving Grain” is an activity that gives the children a visual of the main concept in today’s Bible lesson.

Be sure to list the foods you will be using today on the “Allergy Alert Poster” and post it at the door to your room.

What You Need: “Storing Grain” and “Barn Doors” Activity Pages on the Website, glue sticks, white glue, Popsicle sticks, rice, and paper plates (*for 2’s/3’s – you may not want to attach barn doors for ease*)

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the “Barn Doors” Activity Page on white cardstock and cut out for each child. Copy the “Storing Grain” Activity Page on white paper for each child. Pour some rice onto several paper plates and place them in the center of the table within reach of the children. Pour two or three tablespoons of white glue on several paper plates and place them next to each plate of rice. Pass out a Popsicle stick to each child.

During the Activity: Show the children how to use their glue sticks to glue the barn doors onto the center of their “Storing Grain” Activity Page. Make sure they do NOT glue the doors down. Help them fold the doors so that they open and close. Demonstrate how they can dip their Popsicle sticks into the plate of glue and carefully brush it onto their pages on the inside of the barn. Then allow them to sprinkle rice over the glue. When finished, write children’s names on their papers and set them aside to dry.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “What did Joseph tell the people to do with their grain? (*Pause.*) That’s right! He told them to store some of it away. Today we’re going to create a picture of what that might have looked like.”

During the Activity: “Let’s use our glue sticks to glue down our barns on our pages. But DON’T glue the doors. We will help you fold them so that they can open and close. (*Assist kids.*)

“Great job! Now let’s use our Popsicle sticks to dab some glue on our pages. Where should our grain go—inside or outside the barn? That’s right! INSIDE. So carefully fold back your barn doors and let’s dab our glue inside the barn with our Popsicle sticks. Now, I want you to pick up some rice and sprinkle it over your glue.”

After the Activity: “Great job, everyone! Your barns look great! I know the people in Egypt were SO glad that Joseph instructed them to store up grain for later. Because they listened, they had a food to eat. Didn’t God have a super cool plan for Joseph? Does God have a super cool plan for you? You bet! **Who has a plan for you? God has a plan for me!** (*Point up with index fingers*) **I can BELIEVE!** (*Point to eye then clasp hands together*) **I can PRAY!** (*Point to eye then place hands together like you are praying*). **I can TRUST!** (*Point to eye then cross arms in front of you making a ‘T’ with fists closed.*) **I can SHARE!** (*Point to eye then place arms in front of you with palms up and hands together.*)”

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SMALL GROUP

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Small Group Time

What you Need: Parent Take Home Card, Playdoh, Rolling Pins, People Cookie Cutters, Sticker Roll and “Cross” bracelets.

SMALL GROUP LEADER (SGL): “Raise your hand if you like Playdoh. *(Pause and raise your own hand.)* I do too! We’re still talking about Joseph and God’s plan for him. Joseph had a very important part in God’s plan. Do you remember what important thing Joseph did? *(Pause.)* That’s right! Joseph saved A LOT of grain. He saved enough grain to feed all the people in Egypt. Joseph didn’t know it at the time, but God had brought Joseph to Egypt to help save people. *(Pull out people cookie cutters and Playdoh for children)* It was His plan all along. You are a part of God’s plan too! That’s right! God has a plan and you are a part of it! **Who has a plan for you? God has a plan for me!** *(Point up with index fingers)* **I can BELIEVE!** *(Point to eye then clasp hands together)* **I can PRAY!** *(Point to eye then place hands together like you are praying).* **I can TRUST!** *(Point to eye then cross arms in front of you making a ‘T’ with fists closed.)* **I can SHARE!** *(Point to eye then place arms in front of you with palms up and hands together.)*”

Let’s make some people as we review our lesson and talk about how all the pieces of Joseph’s story fit together. *(Continue making people as you retell the lesson.)* We’ve been learning that God made Joseph, and he was very special. First his brothers got jealous of his coat. Then they sold him off and he was sent to Egypt. Then he was thrown in jail when he didn’t even do anything wrong. Who remembers what happened this week? *(Pause)* Joseph helped Pharaoh with his dream and was put in charge of Egypt. Then Joseph saved A LOT of grain, enough grain to feed all the people in Egypt. I can’t wait to see what’s next for Joseph and God’s plan for him. Does God have a plan for you too? Absolutely! **Who has a plan for you? God has a plan for me!** *(Point up with index fingers)* **I can BELIEVE!** *(Point to eye then clasp hands together)* **I can PRAY!** *(Point to eye then place hands together like you are praying).* **I can TRUST!** *(Point to eye then cross arms in front of you making a ‘T’ with fists closed.)* **I can SHARE!** *(Point to eye then place arms in front of you with palms up and hands together.)*”

“Ok, it’s sticker time!! I am going to ask you some questions and you will get a sticker for answering them. I have some really cool sticker today. Are you ready? *(Pause)* Great! *(Ask the children the questions from the “Parent Take Home Cards”.* You can also make up additional questions from our video lesson. Don’t forget to ask them to say their memory verse for another sticker. You can repeat the same questions over and over as repetition is good for preschoolers.) You are such great listeners! I have one more question...Today we learned that God wants us to love everyone and share His love with everyone! Who can you tell this week about God and His amazing plan for Joseph, and for you and for them? When we pray we can ask God to help us share His story with others!”

“In fact, this week, I DARE you to talk at home about all the people you want to tell about God. Then you can make a list of those people on your placemat you received. I am also going to give you this special bracelet to help you remember to complete your DARE. It has a cross on it so you can remember to have Daring Faith and SHARE God’s love with others!”

“Now I’ll pray before it’s time to say goodbye until next week. *(Read the prayer on the back of the “Parent Take Home Card.”)*

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