

## THE ALLEY RUNDOWN- April 17<sup>th</sup>

**8:30-9:00 (10:30-11:00)-** Games in the room. Give each kid a "Backstage Pass" lanyard to wear in the worship center

**9:00 (11:00)-** Head to worship, enter the door across from the CITY entrance and sit in the designated area in the front

### *Opening Game (Daring Faith Challenge):*

Welcome to the third week in our brand new series, Daring Faith! We are going to explore what it means to be daring in our Faith. Today we are going to **Dare to OBEY!** You will get to prove how brave you are each week with a Daring Faith Challenge!!

Now for today's challenge I need to divide you into two teams *(Point to one side)* You are Team One and *(point to the other side)* (ALLEY LEADER: Here is the link so you get a better understanding of how this game will be played: <http://funninja.org/project/bumper-bubbles/> )

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Now for today's challenge I need 2 people who are daring enough to take on a tough physical challenge. *(Pick 2 kids who have NOT participated in either of the last two weeks' Challenges)* Let's get our 2 challengers up here.

Now I need 4 people to be the whackers! You are going to challenge these competitors to see how brave they really are! *(Choose 4 more people who have not participated yet and give them each a pool noodle)*

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.

"When I say, "GO". You will run through the whackers and attach two balloons to your 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! One minute on the clock please ...and GO!!! *(DO it again with the next competitor)*

Great job competitors!! Make sure you come back next week for another Daring competition!"

## SETTING UP THE BIBLE STORY

Today we are going to Dare to OBEY! Today we are talking about how 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!

Today we are going to watch a video about a TRUE story from the Bible. This is from the Book of Joshua where God asks Joshua to do something that seems impossible! Does Joshua choose to obey God?

Play Bible Story video week 3: Joshua and the Israelites

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! Or he may ask me to forgive someone that I am really mad at!

*(Leader: 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!

### **Explain Daring Faith Booklets:**

I have something very exciting to tell you about now. We want to see how Daring YOU are! We have a challenge for EVERYONE to participate in this month. And 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 #2)*

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; they may have some great ideas for you!

#### **4. ACTIVITIES:**

#1 Crossing the River Review Game

#2 What God Can Do

#3 Bombardment memory verse Game

#4 Pray

(Cave clues sheet included for extra time)