Small Group WEEK 5 GR K-2



Theme: Zapped – Plugging into God's power helps me see and do what I should.

Bible Story: Peter at Pentecost (Acts 2)

Bottom Line: When I trust in Jesus, He promises He'll always be with me.

Memory Verse: "But he kept believing in God's promise. He became strong in his faith. He gave glory to God. He was absolutely sure that God had the power to do what he had

promised." (Romans 4:20-21, NIrV)

Catch On: Make the Connection (after Large Group)

Make the connection of how today's Bible story applies to real life experiences through interactive activities and discussion questions.

1. All Over the World

What You Need: Give each child an All Over the World Activity Page.

Let them guess what country each child is from by how they are dressed. Have them draw a line from the picture of the child to the name of the country. *For younger children, you may have to read the countries to them*. Talk with the kids about how diverse the world is and how we are all different by the clothes we wear, the food we eat and how we live.

2. G-Force (Application Activity)

What You Need: Army parachute guy, One Week 5 Activity Page per small group.

What You Do:

- 1. Week 5 Activity Pages.
- Look over the discussion questions and the experiment. Encourage students to answer the questions.
- 3. Use the instructions on the NEXT PAGE to perform the experiment.

Pre-Experiment Questions

- 1. What would happen if you dropped something from over your head?
- 2. What makes it fall to the ground?
- 3. What would happen if gravity didn't exist?
- 4. Have you ever seen gravity?



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Experiment Instructions

- 1. Give each child a parachute army guy
- 2. Grasp the parachute in the center and drop the parachute, allowing it to fall to the ground.
- 3. Experiment with the parachute, dropping it from different heights.
- 4. Figure out how to drop the parachute so that it lands smoothly.

What You Say: "So, what caused the parachute to float to the ground? Did any of you actually see gravity pulling it to the ground? Did you see little beams coming up from the ground pulling the parachute down? So, you can't see gravity, but it's there. It keeps you walking on the ground and pulls your parachutes toward the ground. Has anyone ever worried that gravity would stop working and make you float off the ground? You can't see it, but you know it's always there.

"Can anyone think of something else we learned about today that's like that? Right, the Holy Spirit! When you become a follower of Jesus, the Holy Spirit becomes a part of your life. You may not see Him, but you know that He will always be with you. *[RECYCLE]* When I trust in Jesus, He promises He'll always be with me. The next time that you're able to take a step without floating off into space, let it be a reminder. Just like gravity holds you to the ground, even when you can't see it, the Holy Spirit is with you, even though you can't see Him!"

3. Ball Bop (Memory Verse Review Romans 4:20-21)

What You Need: Masking tape, foam ball, and a Bible.

- 1. Divide students into pairs and give each pair a foam ball.
- 2. Place masking tape on the floor to divide pairs and have one child stand on the opposite side of the masking tape from their partner.
- 3. Read the verse aloud for review.
- 4. Tell kids that one person will start with the foam ball and say the first word in the verse as they "bop" the ball to their partner. Then their partner says the next word, and they continue to alternate until they've recited the entire verse.
- 5. They can hold the ball to pause and think, but if the ball hits the ground they must start over.

What You Say: "You all have gotten so good at remembering our verse this week! One of the ways that God helps us to live a godly life is by giving us the Holy Spirit to be with us and to help us. Remember, When I trust in Jesus, He promises He'll always be with me."



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4. Prayer Pop

What You Do:

- 1. Tell kids that you're going to offer a prayer of thanks for the Holy Spirit coming to help each child in your group.
- 2. Have kids stand in a circle as you pray.
- 3. Tell kids that as you say their name, they should pop up while you pray for them, then they can sit back down.
- 4. When you've gone around the entire circle, invite all of the kids to pop back up as you close.

What You Say: "Thank You, God, for sending Your Holy Spirit to help [insert child's name]. (Continue around the circle until you've said every child's name). Now we're all going to stand, God, and as a group we're going to say, 'Thank You!' (Invite kids to repeat 'Thank You' aloud with you as they stand.) Thank You for your promise that when we trust in You, You will always be with us.

PLEASE KEEP KIDS IN YOUR SMALL GROUP WITH YOU UNTIL ALL KIDS HAVE BEEN PICKED UP!

