

ALLEY SG- January 21st/22nd

Bible Story: Jesus tempted in the wilderness • *Luke 4:1-13 (Supporting: Matthew 4:1-11)*

Bottom Line: Discovering what God says helps you make the wise choice.

Memory Verse: “Your word is like a lamp for my feet. A light on my path.” *Psalms 119:105 (NIV)*

Life App: Knowledge—learning something new so you can be better at whatever you do.

Basic Truth: I can trust God no matter what.

Blind Leading the Blind

What You Need: Blindfolds (2 per bin), masking tape (1 per bin)

What You Do:

- Choose two kids and hand them the blindfolds.
- Their goal is to make it to a spot in the room you pick. (Feel free to mark the ground with an X with the tape).
- One can lead while the other has to follow with both of their blindfolds on. When they think they get to “X” or spot, have them remove their blindfolds.
 - Note: stay with them to make sure they don’t get hurt, but don’t lead them.
 - Also remind the rest of the group that they cannot help.

What You Say:

- For those who were blindfolded, were you surprised by where you ended up when you took your blindfold off? Did having a leader that couldn’t see help anything?
- How would going through life not knowing what God wanted you to do be similar to this exercise?
- How do you know what is right and wrong?
- What is God’s Word useful for? (Teaching, rebuking, correcting, training)
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Bible Story Trivia

What You Need: “Bible Story” Cards (1 set per bin on cardstock), buzzer, dry erase board/marker or paper/pens.

What You Do:

- Have the kids divide into teams of 3 or 4.
- Put a buzzer or bell in the middle
- You will read them a question and one kid will press the buzzer to answer if they know the answer.
 - If they get it right, they will get a point.
 - If they get it wrong, then another group will get a chance to answer the question.
- Use the paper and to keep track on the scores.
- At the end, the team with the most amounts of points gets 1 Alley cash per child on team.

What You Say:

- What is the longest you have ever gone without food or water?
- Which of the three temptations would be the hardest for you? Why that one?

- Why could Jesus resist the Devil's questions? (He knew God's Word).
- Does it do any good to read the Bible and not apply what it says to our lives? Why or why not?
- Do you have a time where God's word helped you answer a question of what you should and shouldn't do?
 - **(Make it Personal)** Share a time where the Bible helped you make a wise choice.
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Pray

What You Need: No Supplies Needed

What You Do:

- Gather the kids into a circle.
- Ask the kids if they have a prayer request about knowing what Jesus wants them to do.
- Either you or a student pray that God could help us know his word and to make the right decision.

EXTRA ACTIVITY

Flashlight Verse

What You Need: "Lamp Verse Cards" (3 sets in bags on cardstock); Bibles

What You Do:

- Have the kids sit in a circle and then form teams of two or more.
- Dump the container of "Lamp Verse Cards" in the center of the circle.
- They are to assemble the verse out of the cards in the correct order. They may use a Bible if needed.
 - *Optional:* If you have space and wish, you can make a relay race.
- The first team to get all the cards and the verse in the correct order wins the game.

What You Say:

- What does a lamp do? How does God's word show us the way? (Shows you what God wants you to do).
- What are some benefits of making the wise choice? What are some of the consequences of not making the wise choice? **[Make It Personal]** Share any wise or foolish choices you made as a kid.
- What do you think the person who follows God's Word looks like? Why does it matter?
- **[Bottom Line] Discovering what God says helps you make the wise choice."**