

ALLEY SG July 1-3, 2023

Due to summer scheduling, these activities can be done in small groups or in one large group.

1. Memory Verse Scramble

What You Need: Memory verse cards (A few sets per group.)

What You Do:

- Review this month's memory verse with the group, "*God's grace has saved you because of your faith in Christ. Your salvation doesn't come from anything you do. It is God's gift.*" Ephesians 2:8 (NIV)
- Have the kids divide into a few groups. (*How many groups will depend on if this is being done in a small group or with the whole group.*)
- Give each group a set of memory verse cards.
- When you say, "Go" groups will put the verse cards in the correct order.
- Continue playing timing them to see if their time can get faster.

2. Discussion Questions

- What is your favorite Christmas or birthday gift you have ever received?
- Have you ever been offered a gift that you turned down?
- How do you feel when you get a gift?
- Is it difficult to accept that there's nothing we can do to earn the gift of Jesus? Why or why not?
- What is grace, and what does it have to do with faith in Jesus?

3. Fourth of July Bingo

What You Need: Bingo card (one per child), bingo calling cards, bingo tokens, prizes

What You Do:

- Pass out cards and tokens.
- Remind Kids that in a couple days we are celebrating Independence Day, the Fourth of July. To celebrate we will play a game of Fourth of July Bingo!
- Play as many games as time allows.
- Let each winner choose a bracelet for a prize.
- After the game, give each child who did not win a bracelet.

4. Pray

- "Dear God, it's amazing to think that You love us more than we could EVER imagine. You love every single one of us SO MUCH that You sent Jesus to be our Savior. Thank You that when we know You, we can truly know how much You love us and how much You love others. Thank You that knowing You changes how we see things. Help us see things the way that YOU see them. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."