

CITY SG June 1-2, 2024

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

1. Red Light/Green Light Story Review

What You Need: carpet tape

What You Do:

- Have the kids line up shoulder to shoulder on one side of your area and place a tape line on the other side.
- Play a game of red light/green light. When you say “green light,” kids will run until you say “red light.” They should stop in place.
- If anyone is still running after you say, Red Light, they should start over at the beginning.
- Each time you stop them by saying “red light”, ask a review question from the list below.
- Play until someone crosses the line.
- Go back and play more rounds until all of the questions are answered or until time allows.
- You can have the kids get to the other side in different ways each round: crawling, hopping, walking backwards, etc.

Review Questions:

1. Jesus ONLY talked to the people who obeyed him, True or False? (*false*)
2. In our story, the shepherd was someone who takes care of what kind of animal? (*sheep*)
3. The shepherd had 100 sheep. How many were missing? (*one*)
4. How did the lost sheep get home? (*the shepherd found him and carried him*)
5. Why did the shepherd have a celebration? (*His lost sheep was found*).
6. How are we all like lost sheep sometimes? (*We don't follow God, we do wrong things*)
7. Who will always walk with you in hard situations? (*God*).
8. Who can you go to when you need to confess your sin? (*God*)
9. When we choose to follow Jesus who does God send to live inside us? (*The Holy Spirit*)
10. Is there anything you can do that God won't forgive? (*No*)
11. What is our bottom line today? (*We can have joy because of Jesus*)

2. Joy Journal Page

What You Need: “Joy Journal Week 1” activity page

- Give each kid a prepared “Joy Journal” Activity Page and a pen.
- Set out the markers.
- Read the Bottom Line and invite the kids to recite it with you a few times.
 - **We can have joy because of Jesus.**
- Read the prompt in the “Joy Journal” to the group: “Draw a picture of something that brings you joy!”
- Invite kids to share what brings them joy.

- Instruct kids to draw a picture of the people, places, actions, or things that bring them joy in the space provided.
 - It could be a favorite activity, such as: going to church, spending time with a friend, reading a book, talking to God, seeing family happy, or anything else!
- Tell the kids to hang these somewhere at home to remind them of the joy they have because of Jesus!

3. Memory Verse Motions

What You Need: “Verse Motions” activity page

What You Do:

- Read this month’s memory verse to the group, *“A cheerful heart makes you healthy. But a broken spirit dries you up.”* Proverbs 17:22 (NirV)
- Ask, “What are some things that make you laugh? *(Invite responses.)*”
- Ask, “Why do people take medicine?” *(Invite responses.)*
- Say, “Medicine helps people feel better when they’re sick. In the same way, joy and laughter can keep our minds and bodies healthy and happy!”
- Use the “Verse Motions” Activity Page to demonstrate the hand motions.
- Encourage kids to copy your motions while reciting the verse.
- If time allows, ask the kids to pair up and recite the verse to each other with motions.

EXTRA TIME SHEETS

AT THE 5- MINUTE CALL:

PRAY

- “Dear God, thank You for being a good Shepherd, always watching over us. We know that when we go the wrong way, you come looking for us with love and joy in Your heart. Thank You for sending Jesus. Even when we make mistakes or feel lost, thank You that Jesus is there to guide us back to You. Help us to trust that **we can have joy because of Jesus**. We love You and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

PARENT PICK UP POINT: As adults arrive to pick up, encourage kids to share their joy journal page!