

CITY SG August 10-11, 2024

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

1. Electric Eel

What You Need: “Bible Story Review” Activity Page (1 per group) and two buzzers

What You Do:

- Set out the two buzzers.
- Divide kids into two teams.
- Instruct each team to line up behind a buzzer.
- Explain that you will ask each pair of kids a question about the Bible Story today, and the first kid to reach for the buzzer and answer correctly earns a point for their team.
 - If the kid does not answer correctly, invite the kid from the other team to attempt to answer to earn a point for their team.
- One at a time, read a review question from the “Bible Story Review” Activity Page to a new pair of kids each time.
- Repeat until each pair of kids has answered a question.
- Celebrate the team with the most points.

2. Bubble Up

What You Need: “Bubble Up” Activity Page (1 per group) and a ball

What You Do:

- Have the kids sit in a circle or at a table.
- Give one kid the ball and have them pass it around hot potato style.
- Either play some appropriate music on your phone or just close your eyes and yell STOP!
- When the music stops, read a scenario from the “Bubble Up” Activity Page.
- Instruct whoever is holding the ball to provide a wise choice to make in response to a scenario you share.
 - If needed, explain the scenario involves a “plank” (unforgiveness, jealousy, selfishness, or arrogance), and they should give a wise response to choose love and kindness instead.
 - For example, instead of being jealous, we could be genuinely excited and celebrate someone.
- Continue to play as time and energy allow.
- Say, “There are a lot of things to keep up with in our lives, and we’re sure to make mistakes sometimes. But the good news is that, even when we mess up and struggle to get it right, God still loves us! That love is so deep God wants to help you become more and more like Jesus. Through prayer, you can always stop and ask God to show you what’s going on inside of you.”

3. Word Pictures

What You Need: Butcher paper, markers

What You Do:

- Divide the kids into two groups.
- Give each group a large piece of butcher paper.
- Set out the coloring supplies for the two groups to share.
- Write one section from the Memory Verse on each large paper.

1. If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault,

2. and it will be given to you. (James 1:5)

- Ask each group to work together to read their part of the verse aloud.
- Ask kids to work together to illustrate that section of the Memory Verse.
- When both teams have finished, bring the groups together to read their part of the verse and share their illustrations.

AT THE 5- MINUTE CALL:

PRAY

- Ask, "Does anyone have any prayer requests or things they want to thank God for from this week? *(Let the kids share their prayer requests and praises)*
- Take some time to pray for these things as a group, then finish with the prayer below...

"Dear God, thank You that You love us so well. You are fair and truthful and kind. Thank You that You want us to love each other well too. Please show us where we have planks in our eyes so we can see more clearly. We want to love people fairly and well like You do. We love You, Jesus, and we ask these things in Your name. Amen."

- If there is still time, pass out the Parent Discussion Guide to the kids and begin to read through them together. Remind them they can do the activity at home and bring back next week for a prize.

PARENT PICK UP POINT: As adults arrive to pick up, ask the kids to show them their memory verse poster.