

CITY SG August 9-10, 2025

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

PRE- SERVICE ACTIVITY

What You Need: “Animal Memory Cards” Activity Page (one set per group)

What You Do:

- Welcome kids by name as they arrive with a high-five, fist bump, or a wave.
- Invite any kids who brought an offering to place it in the offering container.
- Shuffle the cards from the “Animal Memory Cards” Activity Page.
- Lay the cards face down in grid pattern (five columns and four rows).
- Lead the kids in a game of memory match!
 - Select a kid to turn over two cards.
 - If a match is made, the kid keeps the match and takes another turn.
 - If no match is made, set the two cards back in place. The kid to their left goes next.
- Once all matches have been made, celebrate the kids for playing!
- Play again if there’s more time.
- Lay out all the cards and ask the kids, “What do all of these cards have in common?” (*They’re all animals.*)
- Say, “Today in our true story from the Bible, we’ll hear about a man who trusted God to lead him through an EPIC assignment. HINT . . . this story includes animals too! Let’s go find out what happened.”

SMALL GROUP TIME

1. Superhero Review

What You Need: Floor Tape, “Superhero Review” Page (one per group)

What You Do:

- Place a line of floor tape in the center of your group space.
- Instruct the kids to stand on the tape line.
- Share the rules:
 - You will read a question from the “Superhero Review” Activity Page out loud.
 - Each question will have two answer choices. Kids are to choose an answer by moving to the side of the tape line they think is correct.
 - You will challenge the kids to do different superhero movements as they move to the side of the tape line they have chosen.
- One at a time, read a question from the “Superhero Review” Page out loud.
- Point to each side of the room as you call out the possible answers.
- After you’ve read a question and its two possible answers, challenge the kids to move like a superhero as they answer each question. Some examples of superhero movements are:
 - Leaping (like over buildings)
 - Super-speed (quick feet, but moving safely!)
 - Invisibly (walk low and stealthy)
 - Strong (strut with your biceps curled)
- Once kids have moved, tell them the correct answer.
- Before you ask another question, instruct the kids to return to the tape line.

- Say, “He had a lot of trust in God, and a lot of faith. Faith is trusting in what you *can’t* see because of what you *can* see. See, Noah had no other reason to think that it was going to rain for so long, and that rain would cover everything on the Earth . . . except for the fact that God told him. And Noah trusted and believed God.”

2. Rainbow Art



What You Need: paper plate cut in half (one per kid), markers, Cotton balls, glue sticks

What You Do:

- Say, “Today’s Bible Story was a story about faith, trust, and promises. God even made a physical sign for the promise He made after the flood! God promised never again to flood the entire Earth. And the sign He gave for His promise? A rainbow!”
- Give each child a paper plate and set the markers out.
- Encourage the kids to color their paper plate with rainbow colors.
- Use glue sticks to put a few cotton balls on the ends to create clouds.
- Say, “Take this rainbow art home with you today and let it remind you of all of God’s promises.”

3. God’s Promise

What You Need: “Story Verse” cards (2 sets per group), Bibles

What You Do:

- Depending on the age/ability of your group, you can either:
 - Give each child a Bible and look up the memory verse together.
 - Read the memory verse from a Bible aloud to your group.
 - *Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see.* Hebrews 11:1 (NIRV)
- Divide the kids into two groups.
- Give each group a set of cards.
- Explain how to play:
 - Say, “I’m going to give you 90 seconds to work together with your group to place the words of Hebrews 11:1 in order! When your team is done, shout ‘FAITH!’ together.”
 - At your signal, start the timer and prompt the kids to get started.
 - If time allows, play another round, but this time challenge the kids to *silently* place the verse in order.
 - Say, “God promised to rescue us, and then God sent Jesus to die on the cross for everything we could ever do wrong. Jesus took the punishment for sin so that so that when we choose to follow Jesus and turn from the things we do wrong, we can be friends with God again forever! Remember this verse and know that **you can trust God even when you don’t understand.**”

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)*”
- “God, thank You for always keeping Your promises! Thank You for loving us, guiding us and caring for us, no matter what we’re going through. We want to trust You with every part of our lives—our family, friends, school, sports teams, worries, and dreams. Help us to remember that You are always faithful, even when we are going through something scary and we don’t know what’s ahead. Give us unshakeable faith to always know that we can trust You, even when we don’t understand. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

PARENT PICK UP POINT: As adults arrive to pick up, invite the kids to share their rainbows to remind them that God always keeps His promises to us!

