CITY LG - October 11th - 12th, 2025

Bible Story: David and the Psalms • *Psalm 1:1-4* **Bottom Line:** If you want to be wise, focus on God.

Monthly Memory Verse: It is much better to get wisdom than gold. It is much better to choose

understanding than silver. Proverbs 16:16 (NIrV)

WORSHIP

Nothing is Impossible As the World Shakes

SLIDE: Theme

Welcome to Wisdomland! Who's excited to be here today? (Pause for cheers.)

This is the best theme park ever because we get to have fun AND learn how to seek God for every wise choice—just like wise people do!

Let's play a fun game in Wisdomland today called 'Lost and Found,'—it's about finding some cool stuff we may have misplaced at the park!

You're going to try to figure out the lost items from a theme park. Sadly, these are items that get lost at theme parks a lot. One by one, I'll give a clue about what the item is.

Let's circle up with our small groups to play the game. Choose one person to be your representative. When your team figures out the answer have that person and that person ONLY stand up. When I call on you, if you are correct, you will get a point.

I'll call out our first clue! Together, your team will figure out the item and have one person stand up! Here's your first clue:

This is something you can send in the mail to tell people about your trip!

Items and their clues: (Feel free to add more!)

- Postcard (This is something you would mail to a friend to tell them where you went.)
- Sunglasses (These are what I wear to keep the sun from shining so brightly in my eyes!)
- Stuffed animal (This is a plush prize that you sometimes win for playing a game. Or it's something fluffy you can buy as a souvenir!)
- Filled plastic water bottle (It can get hot at theme parks! This is something you can drink to cool down.)
- Silly hat (This is what I wear on my head when I want to make the people around me laugh!)
- Poncho (This is something you need to wear if it starts to rain!)
- Souvenir T-shirt (This is a shirt you wear to help remember the trip!)
- Bottle of sunscreen (This is a lotion I put on so I don't get burned from getting too much sun!)

Before we hear our true story from the Bible today, let's take a moment to remember our special verse we're memorizing this month.

SLIDE: Memory Verse

It is much better to get wisdom than gold.

It is much better to choose understanding than silver.

Wow! God's wisdom is worth more than anything. And He wants to give it to us because He loves us so much and wants us to live well! Let's keep listening for His wisdom today.

We're doing something amazing this year—we're going through the key stories of the Bible so we can learn the entire story the Bible is telling!

You see, one of the reasons God gave us the Bible is so that we can get to know Him. We're going through the key stories of the Bible so we can learn more about God! We're going to go through God's Big Story! (Gesture to slide.)

SLIDE: God's Big Story

Each week, we'll look at a story from God's Big Story and add a picture of that story to our timeline, so we can see where we've been in the Bible as we journey along.

We're moving right along through the Bible. Today, we're in the Old Testament, in a very special book called Psalms. Psalms is like God's songbook—full of songs and poems written to God! Raise your hand if you like to sing or make music! (Pause for the kids to raise their hands.)

A lot of the psalms were written by the second king of God's people, who was named David. David didn't write all of the psalms, but all of the psalms do have something in common: they all declare how good God is. They also talk about some very real feelings we all have, like being sad, happy, scared, or mad. Let's check out the Story Lab to find out more.

VIDEO: Bible Story 11:50

So, how can we be wise? We can do what David and the other writers of the psalms did: Stay close to God. That means talking to God about everything, listening to God's Word in the Bible, remembering that God is always with you, and following God's ways.

Let's stand up for our bottom line.

VIDEO: Bottom Line SLIDE: Bottom Line

If you want to be wise, focus on God.

We can focus on God! We can talk to Him anytime, just like David did. We can sing, pray, and thank Him. We can spend time learning about Him, and choose to do what He would want us to do—even when it's hard or when others aren't watching. If you ever wonder what to do, you can always ask God for wisdom. He is the wisest, and He loves to share His wisdom with you because He wants you to live

wisely and well! Like David, God wants to be your good, good friend.

Let's pray together:

God, thank You for loving us and always being with us. Help us to focus on You, to listen to Your words, and to make wise choices every day. Just like David, we want to stay close to You. We love You, God, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

OFFERING

We started supporting a new organization with our offering last month. We are going to help kids and adults who live right near us! Our mission is Shady Oaks Camp for People with Disabilities in Homer Glen, II. Their mission is to give kids and adults the same kind of camp experience that kids without disabilities can enjoy.

SLIDES: Shady Oaks 5-8

I'm so excited that we are raising money to help Shady Oaks provide summer camps for people with disabilities!