

CITY SG – October 17th- 18th, 2026

Bible Story: Jesus Heals Bartimaeus (Mark 10:46-52)

Bottom Line: L: Listen

Monthly Memory Verse: *He said to them, "Go into all the world. Preach the good news to everyone." Mark 16:15 NlrV*

NOTE FOR SG LEADERS:

Our entire church is participating in a special alignment series over the next five weeks. This means both kids and adults are receiving a similar message. This content is coming from a different resource than we usually use and certain elements may look different during this series. Have fun on this special mission and thank you for making a Kingdom difference in the lives of PARKVIEW KIDS!

PRE- SERVICE ACTIVITY

What You Need: white board, dry erase markers

What You Do:

- Ask kids if they remember what we learned last week? (*Prayer!*)
- Say, "When we pray, it is important to tell God what we are thankful for."
- Explain how to play Pictionary.
- Someone will take the whiteboard and draw something they are thankful for.
- The rest of the group will try to guess what they are drawing.

Say: "I love seeing what everyone is thankful for, now let's go hear what happens in our Bible story!"

SMALL GROUP TIME

1. Roll the Dice Review

Bible Story Review

What You Need: Dice (a few per bin)

What You Do:

- **Younger Groups:** Find Mark 10:46-52 and read it aloud to the kids.
- **Older Groups:** Give each kid a Bible and find Mark 10:46-52. Choose kids to read the verses.
- Have the kids take turns rolling one die.
- Encourage them to answer the review question that corresponds with the number they rolled.
- If someone rolls a number already called, move onto someone else until all questions are answered.

Review Questions:

1. What was the name of the blind beggar sitting by the side of the road (*Bartimaeus*)
2. What was Bartimaeus yelling to Jesus when he realized he was in the crowd? (*Jesus please help me!*)

3. How did the people traveling with Jesus feel about Bartimaeus interrupting them? (*upset*)
4. What did Jesus do at first when he heard Bartimaeus calling to Him? (*he stopped and told him to come to Him*)
5. What did Bartimaeus ask Jesus to do for him? (*help him see again*)
6. What did Jesus do that made Bartimaeus see again? (*He told him that because he believed in Him that his eyes were healed*)
7. What does the L stand for in BLESS? (*Listen*)

2. Blindfolded Call Out

Application Activity

What You Need: 3 small cones, a few pieces of colored paper, blindfold

What You Do:

- Set up a simple obstacle course with the cones and paper.
- Blindfold a child and have another one guide them through the obstacle course without touching them, using **ONLY** their voice.
- Tell them to speak slowly and only give one direction at a time.
- Allow different pairs to have a chance to go through the obstacle course.
- Say, "This is a great game to teach us how to listen carefully to one another while also having fun. I love this game because it also teaches us how to trust that when we **listen** to God, He will help us each step of the way!"

3. Memory Verse Toss

Memory Verse Activity

What You Need: Bibles, astronaut figures, 2 buckets, 2 sets of memory verse cards

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 to the group.
 - *He said to them, "Go into all the world. Preach the good news to everyone." Mark 16:15*
- Divide into two teams in two lines.
- Place the floor tape down in the front of the lines and the bucket farther away.
- The goal of this game is to launch (toss) the astronaut figures into the bucket.
- When it is someone's turn, if it lands in the bucket, they receive a memory verse card.
- If they miss, they do not receive one.
- Once a team has all of their cards, they will work together to put the memory verse in order.
- *For the younger kids who may not be able to read, you can end the game when they all have their cards. Then work as a whole group to read the cards and put them in order.*
- Say, "Over the next few weeks we are leaning this verse so we can have the confidence to "GO and TELL others about Jesus!"

4. Extra Time Bartimaeus Activity Sheet

AT THE 5- MINUTE CALL:

PRAY USING THE BLESS PRAYER POSTER

- 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)*
- Put the BLESS Prayer laminated Poster in your space and read that prayer. Then end praying for any prayer requests that were given. *(We will pray this prayer each week of the series)*
- Remind the kids that when they leave, their parents should get a text message on their phones telling them what we learned this week. AND they will get a link to an activity they can do at home and bring back for a PRIZE!

PARENT PICK UP POINT: As adults arrive, ask the kids to tell them what they learned about listening to God this week!