



WELCOME

@HOME: WEEK OF FEB 14

TEACHING EXPLANATION

If you are able to watch the teaching video from Pastor Dave this is a great follow-up for the video. You can also use these questions to talk through the Sermon Content from Sunday's Sermon.

- What is one thing that stood out to you from today's teaching or one thing you learned from Pastor Dave's message?
- Are things like giving, fasting, praying, going to church, reading your Bible, etc. bad things?
- If we do them for others rather than for God how do they leave us feeling?
- How can we guard our hearts to make sure that what we are doing is not for ourselves but rather to bring us closer to God and to honor Him?

MEMORY VERSE

"Speak to the entire Israelite community and tell them: Be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy." - Leviticus 19:1 (CSB)

You will want to go over the memory verse with your group a few times before completing this week's Memory Verse Activity! This week we have included a Lace and Trace for each child in your group. They will use the string attached to complete the memory verse, but be careful, there are some words that are not in the verse but are on the card!

DON'T SHOW OFF

VIDEO NOTES

INTRO VIDEO:

Start here as Ms. Keelea kicks off the week with a brief look back at last week and a reminder of our memory verse from last week!

TEACHING VIDEO:

Pastor Dave will bring us a short message that parallels the message we heard on Sunday morning about our heart when we are doing actions for others' praise rather than to give God glory. Follow this video with the Teaching Explanation portion for your group.

OLD TESTAMENT STORY:

This week's Old Testament story looks a little different-it's a musical, all about one man, a king, who quickly turned from giving God glory to giving himself glory and how that turned out for him!

WORSHIP:

As always we want you to lead your group in a time of worship. Feel free to pick additional tracks from the Woodlands Kids Worship Playlist available on YouTube but here is what we recommend for the week:

- Chasing Me
- Wavewalker
- Great Are You Lord

WOODLANDS IN THE WORD

Now is a great time to check in with your group on how reading through the four gospels are going! This week we are reading Luke 1-5, which means we've just finished Mark and are starting a new gospel! If they didn't do very well reading through Mark, that's okay! Now is a perfect time to start a new book-with Luke!

CRAFT

In your @HOME Packs this week you will find supplies for the kids to make paper flowers. Each child should make 3 flowers and write one compliment on each flower for three separate people in their group. Then they will go around and give the flowers to the others in their group.

After this-take time to pray and give those compliments back to God. Share with your kids the following story of Corrie Ten Boom, a courageous woman of God, who said "Every time a person praises me for something, I just accept it as a flower. Then at the end of the day, I put all the flowers together into a lovely bouquet, get on my knees, and say, 'Here, Father, this bouquet belongs to You. The lovely things people have said about me, they were really saying about You. Thank you, Father, for using me.'"

SUPPLIES:

- Paper flower cutouts
- Circles to glue in the center of the flower cutouts
- Green strips of paper to glue on as stems
- Glue
- Markers/Crayons/Colored Pencils to draw on the flowers and to write the compliments

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Have the students start by gluing a circle in the center of the flower cutout. Then glue a stem to the back of the flower.
2. Decorate the flower, including a compliment, for one other person in your group. Repeat this to make three flowers for three separate people.
3. Then have the kids in your group pass out the flowers to the others in their group. At the end, pray and give the bouquet of flowers over to God-praising Him for how He has created us, how He has used us, and how He loves us.

GAME 1:

This week we are playing the Live for God Game! Pair the kids in your group up and have them stand face to face with their partner. One child will be the leader and the other is the mirror. The mirror must try to mimic any movement that the leader makes. Challenge the children to be a mirror as long as they possibly can! After a few minutes have the children switch places and play again.

Application: Right now, we are just mirroring our friends, but in life we should try to be like a mirror of Jesus' life. We should try to do what He did. We need to mirror Jesus' life, especially to other people.

GAME 2:

We also recommend playing a game of Simon Says this week-similarly mimicking how Christ acts, so should we act. This can be a great activity for kids of all ages in your group!

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

- What city was King Nebuchadnezzar the King of?
- What was his dream about?
- Who told the king what his dream was about?
- Why did the King turn into a beast?
- What happened once the 7 years was over?
- What lesson did he learn?
- What does it look like to praise yourself rather than praising God?

PRAYER TIME

Today's prayer time is going to look a little different. We want you to talk as a group about how to pray in secret with your Father in Heaven in order to draw close to Him. There is definitely a reason to pray as a group, but God also wants us to spend that time with Him.

Have the kids in your group spread out in the room that they are in. They will sit on their knees and in their "quiet space" pray individually with God. Let them know they can do this anytime with God.