	ELEMENTARY Flight Plan Aluguet 10th
Lesson	Corrie Ten Boom
Bible Passage	Psalm 100:5a
Story Point	Corrie trusted in the Lord's Enduring Love
Key Passage	Psalm 100 NIV  1 Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. 2 Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. 3 Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. 4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. 5 For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.
Big Picture Q & A	Why can I trust the Lord in every situation? I can trust in the Lord because I know His character and He is God.





## leader bible study

Corrie Ten Boom grew up in the Netherlands and came to work alongside her father in their watch shop below their home. She and her family loved God and held firmly to the belief that God's love and forgiveness extended to all people, regardless of their actions or circumstances. When the German's invaded the Netherlands in May 1940, it was no longer a safe place for Jews to live. The Ten Booms worked with an architect to design a hidden room in their home where they could keep Jews safe when the Nazis came by. Not only did they hide people, but Corrie also dispersed stolen ration cards and became part of the Dutch underground resistance network and oversaw a network of smuggling jews to safe places.

In all, it is estimated that the Ten Booms saved around 800 Jews from the Nazis. They were arrested in Feb 1944 and taken to prison. Corrie's father passed away 10 days later and Corrie was taken to trial. She spoke out about the killing of people with mental disabilities and emphasized that God loves everyone and has value. Corrie and her sister, Betsie, ultimately ended up in a concentration camp in Germany and managed to smuggle in a Bible. They held worship services for the women and brought many other prisoners to Christ. Betsie passed away in December of 44 and Corrie, due to a clerical error, was released 12 days later.

After the war, she never stopped serving the people who others thought less of. She created a house for refugees and protected people with disabilities because God's love is for everyone.

For decades after, she traveled the world spreading the message of love and forgiveness— even forgiving a couple of the soldiers who were at the camp she and Betsie were held— personifying God's unending love. As she wrote in one of her many stories, quoting her sister "There is no pit so deep, that God's love is not deeper still."

Vision for Grace Airways

We navigate the scriptures,
training up bold disciples,
on our ongoing journey to Jesus!

There are many stories- both from scripture and after the Bible was written- about people who find themselves in wild situations! Oftentimes people face fear, uncertainty, and confusion in these places and feel like they can't get out of it alone. We are going to look at some people and their stories and see how they trusted in the Lord to get them through.

#### We can trust the Lord in a wild world!

Grace Airways True North Content in Children's Ministry will focus on "wild stories" in the Bible and some Missionary highlights to continue our VBS theme of trusting in the Lord.

**SUMMER PSALM**—let's all learn Psalm 100 to give the students consistent excitement and practice each week! We will practice all summer to create a video to share with the rest of Grace Community Church at the Fall-Kick off (Sept 7th) on the big screen.

#### **Key Dates:**

Aug 9<sup>th</sup> GCC BBQ (baptisms)

Aug 24<sup>th</sup> Film Summer Psalm & All Sunday Teams Fall Training

Sept 7<sup>th</sup> FALL KICKOFF

#### **Gospel—Centered Preparation:**

The heart of preparation is rooted in your understanding of the gospel and your personal application of the story.

#### After your study ask yourself:

- How do the verse and Big Picture Question connect to this story?
- What am I excited to teach from this passage?
- Where is the gospel in this story?

### We can trust in the Lord in a Wild World

























## Co-Pilot—Included Preparation:

On a Sunday morning, the Pilot is leading everyone in our ongoing journey to Jesus— that includes both flyers and Co-Pilots! The more consistency and continuity we have between Pilots, the better we can prepare our helpers to succeed and grow! With that consistency comes the mentorship aspect for our youth volunteers in particular, and utilizing our adult co-pilots as well: sharing activities, engaging them in the morning, and encouraging their involvement.

#### As you prepare for the lesson, ask yourself:

- Does my planning allow for Co-Pilot participation throughout the morning?
- How did I prepare my Co-Pilot to help with classroom management?
- What specific activities will my Co-Pilot assist with today?
- In what ways can I encourage my Co-Pilot?

#### **Engagement**

- Sit with child during the story
- Playing alongside flyers
- Reengage chatty/distracted kids
- Ask to volunteer an example during discussion
- Help play to Co-Pilot's strengths

#### **Activities**

- Attendance stickers
- Timeline
- Joining in the verse and BPQ&A
- Assigned to a specific flyer
- Helping find books in the Bible
- Leading crafts & songs

#### **Encouragement**

- Thank you for stepping in there!
- You did a great job with
- You really helped me while I was
- Thank you for being \_\_\_\_\_'s buddy today.
- Your help really made this morning go smoothly.
- was the right thing to do. You handled it well!
- I'm so glad you are here today!

## Sunday Morning Flight Plan



#### Take Off

- Open in Prayer
- Hook
- BPQ and A & Key Passage
- Timeline & Introduce Story

10 Min

### Journey

- Attendance & Bible Sticker
- Bible Story
- God's Attributes

15 Min

#### Flight Lab

 Experience of the Bible Story (Make connections through an activity & motion) 15 Min

#### Pilot's Log

- Pray
- Calm activity during pick-up
- Give activity sheets to parents as they pick up students

5 Min

Celebrate being here! Introduce the morning.

#### **Open in Prayer**

#### **Hook**

 Have you ever helped someone that was struggling? Have you ever stood up for someone that was being bullied or picked on? Today, we will hear about a woman that chose to help those in need, even though it put her in danger.

#### **Big Picture Question**

Throughout our time together, we are focusing on the big picture question: Why can I trust the Lord in every situation?

I can trust in the Lord because I know His character and He is God.

#### **Key Passage**

Practice the Psalm 100 song!

Encourage and build excitement for memorizing, we will video the children on Sunday, August 24th

Our key passage helps answer the BPQ!

<sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

#### <u>Timeline/Introduce Bible Story:</u>

- Corrie Ten Boom was a woman from the Netherlands and lived with her family above her father's watch shop. During World War II the Ten Booms chose to help those that were unable to help themselves. Corrie was often in danger for choosing to help those in need. Despite these hardships and dangerous times, she trusted in the Lord's enduring love.
- Transition to the Missionary Story: (OPTIONAL) Show the Missionary Story Video.



## 15 Min

# Journey

#### Where we travel into God's word

#### **Missionary Story**

Use a globe or a map to help children see where Corrie lived.

Corrie Ten Boom's story was absolutely incredible. Spending her early years in her father's watch shop, Corrie assisted him with watch and clock repairs. Trusting in the Lord from a young age, she also created a youth club for teenage girls. This club provided its members with religious instruction and classes in the performing arts, sewing, and handicrafts. As Corrie grew into an adult, she continued sharing her love for God with others.

Corrie experienced many difficulties as an adult. World War II brought devastation to the world, where the Jewish people were imprisoned and killed. Corrie and her family knew that they wanted to help and decided to use their home as a refuge for those needing shelter. They offered Jews a place to stay until a safe house was available. Corrie showed love like Jesus would, even though it meant they had to do something dangerous and scary.

Eventually, Corrie and her family were caught and arrested. Corrie and her sister Betsie were imprisoned, but these women continued to trust in God. Corrie brought her Bible to the camp even though it wasn't allowed. She read to the other prisoners at night, remaining steadfast in her faith.

Whenever Corrie felt discouraged, Betsie reminded her that, "No pit's so deep that God's great love will not be deeper still."

During her life, Corrie knew that she could be hurt or killed helping

those in need. Even though she faced constant peril and experienced deep pits of despair, Corrie knew that she could always trust in the Lord's enduring love.

## **Age Appropriate Story**

## Corrie Ten Boom Psalm 100:5a

Born in 1892, Corrie Ten Boom lived with her family in the Netherlands. On the first floor of their house, Corrie's father had a shop where they worked on watches and repaired old and broken clocks. Corrie and her little sister Betsie would help their father with his work as a watchmaker. Every day at breakfast and dinner, Corrie's father would read stories from the Bible that would encourage them to live like Jesus.

When Corrie was fifty years old a war started, and the Jewish people were treated horribly and were being killed. These people had done nothing wrong, so Corrie and her family decided to help.



The Ten Boom home became a refuge for Jews, students, and intellectuals. A secret room, no larger than a small closet, was built into Corrie's bedroom behind a false wall that could hold up to six people. The entire Ten Boom family risked their lives, hiding and helping those in need. They gave them clothes, food, and a place to stay until they escaped. Corrie knew they needed to show love like Jesus would, even though it meant they had to do something

dangerous and scary.

It was estimated that 800 Jews' lives were saved because of Corrie and her family, but they were discovered and arrested. Corrie and her sister, Betsie, were imprisoned with other women and had to work hard every day in terrible conditions. Even though it was not allowed, Corrie snuck in her Bible and read to the other women at night. Corrie chose to pray and worship God despite being in danger of being caught.

When Corrie started to worry, her sister Betsie always reminded her to pray. Betsie and Corrie's abiding faith in God kept them positive. When things got difficult, Betsie's favorite words were, "No pit's so deep, that God's great love's not deeper still."

Corrie was the only one of her family members to survive, and was released from prison. She returned to the Netherlands after the war and set up a rehabilitation center for those in need. She began a worldwide ministry that took her to more than 60 countries, speaking of redemption, restoration, and God's enduring love.

#### **Discussion & Bible Skills**

Distribute a Bible to each child and read **Psalm 100**. Relate Psalm 100:5a to Corrie's story and her trust in the Lord's enduring love Lead children to discuss:

- 1. What was Corrie's father's job? (a watchmaker)
- 2. **How did Corrie help those in need?** (They helped the Jews by giving them supplies and a place to stay in their house. Corrie helped others after the war through a rehabilitation center)
- 3. What did Betsie remind Corrie to do? (pray, read the Bible, and trust in God)
- 4. What is one thing you learned from Corrie's story?
- 5. Why do I trust the Lord in every situation? (because I know His character and He is God)

<u>God's attributes</u>-helping the children understand what God is like, shown to us in the Bible. In today's story we see that God is:

-Trustworthy -Comforter

#### **Travel Guide:**

Use the travel guide for maps, charts, etc... as useful with helping the children learn and understand today's story.



## 15 min

## Flight Lab

Instill Wonder as you experience the Bible CHOOSE ONE ACTIVITY

#### **Paper Prayer Tulips**

Give each child a piece of paper with the outline of a tulip bulb and leaves. Recap the story of Corrie's life with the children as they cut out their flower and two leaves (younger students may need help with this part). Once all three parts are cut out, ask children to think of a time where they were comforted/something or someone that brings them comfort and write or draw it on the tulip. Then have Pilot and Co-Pilots help make three fold on the tulip accordion style. Use a hold punch to make a whole through the fold and then stick a straw through to make the flower stem. Tape/glue the leaves to the straw.

•Corrie was from Netherland where they have lots of tulips. When Corrie was worried and afraid, her sister Betsie reminded her to pray. These flowers will help us remember that when we need comfort, we can pray. The Lord is our comforter.







#### Pray:

If time, share prayer requests and allow kids to record in the **prayer** journal section of their *Travel Guide*.

#### ALWAYS CLOSE THE MORNING WITH PRAYER.

This is how we model incorporating prayer into their lives.

#### Waiting for parents/Activity Page:

Tie back into the lesson, remind them of the Big Picture Question/verse, etc...

Be sure to re-set expectations on what their choices are while waiting for mom and dad:

- Activity page
- Key Passage Activity (See next page for list of options)
- Coloring page
- Gospel Kit Activities
- Anything quiet at the tables you are ok with (origami, free draw on blank paper, hangman game at white board, putting Book of the Bible cards in order, etc....)

Be sure that the Co-Pilots hand out the Activity sheet to each child or to parents so they can go home with families.

#### **Prayer Extra Ideas:**

**Prayer Chain**—In small groups, ask children/co-pilot to write prayer requests on a few paper strips. Connect paper strips into a chain and display our growing conversation to the Lord. Feel free to revisit older requests as well.

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**Painted Rocks**—Have each child choose a painted rock to write on. Write a word of encouragement, a word about Jesus, a name, etc. The goal is to take it with them and place it somewhere near their typical living space— a neighbor's house, a store, a playground, etc. Then pray over the place or the people who are there.

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**Pointing to a Map**—Choose one or two kiddos to spin/close their eyes/ find a certain color (you can be creative and have fun) and point to a country on the map. Place a pin in the place(s) and pray over it as a group. Even if you don't know anything about the country, we can lift up the people, pray for Jesus' light to shine there, the Gospel to be active there, and churches to grow, etc.

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Looking out the Window—Grab a dry erase marker, have the kids gather at the windows, and look outside. Ask the children to look for 3 things they can see out of the window to pray over. Using the dry erase marker, write those things on the window (PreK & K may draw things) and then pray over those things. Feel free to leave them on the window, so whenever we look through, those things are brought to our mind to pray for again.

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Head Shoulders Knees and Toes—Pray through the song.

- Head (mind, imagination, thoughts, creativity)
- Shoulders (physical strength, things we might be dealing with)
- Knees (dancing, playing, jumping, etc.)
- Toes (walking and following after Jesus, standing strong in our faith)
- Eyes, ears, mouth & nose (seeing goodness, listening to Him, speaking truthful words, our senses, etc.)

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**Preschool Carpet Bag Prayers**— Choose an item(s) out of the carpet bag. Discuss the item and different people/things the item could represent (car—driving safely, mechanics, trips, first responders, etc) Encourage kids to "think outside the bag" and help them make connections. Pray over the people, places, and things that were discussed.