

#### FEAR GO - "FEAR VS. HOLY SPIRIT"

# **LESSON OVERVIEW**

Revelation: Fear vs. Holy Spirit

Bible Lesson: Judges 6-8

Heart: A man named Gideon who felt fear made his own plans, but surrendered

his ways to the Lord and God made his name great

Memory Verse: "For God did not give us a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a

sound mind." – 2 Timothy 1:7

# **GAME**

- Musical Chairs
- 4-Corners
- Playground

#### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Page Team Lead for all communication of needs (supplies, parent assistance, medical, restroom breaks)
- NEVER leave the classroom without paging Team Lead
- NEVER be alone with a child this includes one on one conversations
- NO pictures or video recording is allowed in the classroom
- Every child and serve team member MUST wear their name tag

## **RULES**

- Respect

#### **DECLARATION**

"I am a child of God, full of His Holy Spirit. I am learning His ways. I am made to encounter and connect with Him daily. I am walking in His favor and carrying His presence wherever I go."

## CONNECT WITH GOD FOCUS

- Solitude



## **REVELATION**

**SAY** | We are beginning a new series this month called "Fear Go" say Fear Go! We will unpack our revelation Fear vs Holy Spirit. Today we will discover the difference in the power between Fear vs Holy Spirit and why we say, "Fear go, Holy Spirit come." Before jumping into our Bible story, I will ask you a question, but I want you to take your time to think about your answer.

**ASK** | What is fear? (Pause and allow for a response)

Some of you described fear as a feeling and your right, you can feel fear, but fear is not a feeling. Fear is a demonic spirit that influences your feelings. Fear is the opposite of love and God is love. For everything God is and has created, the enemy creates a fake copy of the original to bring confusion. The good news is according to Luke 10:19, you have been given power over the enemy, this is why we say, fear go! Our revelation today is Fear vs. Holy Spirit.

Let's pray, Holy Spirit, we welcome you here, we don't make room for you, but we give you the entire room. We ask you to teach us your ways so that we may know you and find your favor. Speak Lord, your servants are listening. Amen.

#### **BIBLE LESSON**

**TEACHER PROMPT** | If you memorize this story and this lesson, it will help you teach it in excellence and allow Holy Spirit to speak to you and through you.

BIBLE LESSON INTRO | Our Bible lesson today is found in Judges 6-8

"The people of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the Lord and the Lord gave them into the hand of Midian seven years". Judges 6:1-2. Throughout the entire Old Testament, we see the people of God "doing what was evil in the sight of the Lord", yet God, being just and full of mercy, always raises up someone to bring salvation to His people when they call on Him. We know in the end He sent Jesus to bring us salvation, but in the Old Testament He would bring Prophets and Judges.



One of these people was Gideon. Judges 6:7-8 says, "When the people of Israel cried out to the Lord on account of the Midianites, the Lords sent a prophet to the people of Israel." Remember, we serve a merciful and just God. God answered their prayers and sends and angel of the Lord to Gideon in order to defeat the Midianites. The angel tells Gideon to go into the town and pull down the altar of the false god Baal and the Asherah pole and to build an altar to the Lord God there instead. Gideon went on to do as the Lord asked, the next day as the people awoke to the altar of Baal being torn down, they were not happy and wanted to kill Gideon.

Sometimes when we feel fear it can sound like "you aren't strong enough for this" "you aren't brave enough for this" or even "are you sure that was God who said that?"

Gideon was feeling anxious about this so he said to God, if you will save Israel by my hand, I am laying a fleece of wool on the threshing floor. If there is dew on it only and the ground is dry, then I will know that you will save Israel. The next morning the fleece was wet, and the ground was dry. Gideon asked again but this time that the ground would be wet and the fleece dry, and the next morning it was so. So, Gideon knew that God was going to save them from the Midianites.

God then gave him instructions on exactly what to do, even in taking his army from 10,000 to only 300, so that Gideon and the Israelites would know that it wasn't by his power but by God's power and mercy towards them. The Lord said to him, go down against the camp for I have given it into your hand. But if you are afraid to go down, go to the camp and hear what they say. So, he went down and heard a Midianite telling his dream to a Comrade, the interpretation of the dream was that God would defeat them.

Gideon then brought down the army and gave them trumpets to blow and they cried out "a sword for the Lord and a sword for Gideon". This brought fear and confusion on the Midianites which caused them to run away and even attack each other. God then used Gideon completely defeat all of the people oppressing the



Israelites and they served God until Gideon died. When Gideon died the people went back to their ways and did what was evil in the sight of the Lord.

When Gideon was feeling afraid, the Lord immediately brought truth to him by answering his prayers and showing him the future defeat through the Midian's dream. When we listen to fear it causes confusion, like when the Midianites heard the trumpets and were filled with fear. When we listen to Holy Spirit, He brings truth and peace to our fear. The Bible says, "perfect love cast out all fear". 1 John 4:18.

The Israelites were hungry for the power and the presence of God, but only when they were afraid and going through hard times. Many of you say, "Fear Go, Holy Spirit come" but you can also say just say "Holy Spirit Come", to say it is inviting Him to come even when you aren't afraid but just because you want to be in His presence.

There is a warning in this story and that warning is, to not only hunger for the presence of God when you experience fear or sickness or attacks. But to daily say, "Holy Spirit come."

Our revelation today is Fear vs. Holy Spirit.

# SALVATION + DISCUSSION

**TEACHER PROMPT** | This invitation to an eternity with Jesus is huge! Be sensitive to what Holy Spirit wants to do in this time. Ask Him to think through your thoughts and speak through your mouth!

**SAY** | God loves YOU so much that He gave his only Son that anyone who believes, in Jesus, might be saved and have everlasting life, John 3:16. God wants to be close to you. He has taken every step to be close to you. If you have never accepted Jesus into your heart, you can today! (You can invite children to raise hands, come forward, etc. have everyone repeat prayer together)



**PRAYER** | Father God you are Holy. Holy Spirit, we thank you for all that you teach us and that we get to know you Jesus, we thank you for laying down your life so that we can be close to you. Jesus, would you forgive us from our sins. Would you come live in our heart forever. Amen.

**CELEBRATION** | At TLC one of our values is Celebration. If you made this amazing decision to give your life to Jesus today, please stand up so we can CELEBRATE YOU! Let's Celebrate our friends who gave their life to Jesus today! WOOHOO!!

**NOTE** | List names of any child that received Jesus today on the Feedback Sheet

**ASK** | Encourage children to participate by answering the below questions:

- + What did Holy Spirit highlight to you in this story today?
- + How do you think you would react in this situation if you were there?
- + What is our memory verse?
- + What was our revelation?
- + What was our Bible Lesson about?

## BENEDICTION PRAYER

"Teach us your ways that we may know you and find your favor." – Exodus 33:13

## **BIBLE TRIVIA**

1. What is the "omni" word for God is everywhere always?

#### (God is omnipresent)

2. What is the "omni" word for God is all knowing?

#### (God is omniscient)

3. What is the "omni" word for God is all powerful?



#### (God is all omnipotent)

4. What was our memory verse?

(For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, of love, and a sound mind. 2 Tim. 1:7)

5. What was our revelation?

(Fear vs. Holy Spirit)

6. What was our Bible Story about?

(Anything pertaining to the Bible story is accepted)



# **SALVATIONS**

TEACHER PROMPT   Fill in the blank with the number of salvations:
FEEDBACK
Any feedback for the curriculum or classroom can be submitted on this page. Your name and classroom name:
Feedback:
CELEBRATIONS
In a value of celebration, list any teacher or child wins such as salvation stories,
teacher celebrations, anyone walking in the values, etc.  Celebrations: