Today's Suggested Schedule—September 2025, Week 3

Bible Story: Rahab / The Promised Land • Joshua 2 (supporting: Joshua 6:22-25)

Conversation Starter: How can you show someone you care? **Bottom Line:** God can give you courage to help someone in need.

Monthly Memory Verse: When I'm afraid, I put my trust in you. Psalm 56:3 (NIrV)

SLIDE: Theme

OPENER

HOST: "Welcome back, courageous crew! It's awesome to see you all here, ready to move and be brave! Sometimes, being brave means reaching out to help someone, even if it seems like a long shot.

"Today, we're going to hear about someone who took a huge risk, using something as simple as a rope, to help others in a really big way. But first, let's worship the God who gives us the courage to reach out and be kind like He is!"

WORSHIP

LEADER: Now, we get to switch gears just a little bit and do something super-important, something that helps us connect with God, the One who gives us strength and courage for all those challenges. Let's worship! This is our time to sing, to shout, to focus on how amazing God is, and to tell Him how much He means to us. Are you ready to make some noise and give God your best today? Awesome! Let's get started!

Video: Make Room

"Yeah! Sometimes being brave starts with remembering who God is and what He promises. Our Memory Verse this month reminds us where to put our focus when things feel scary. When we're scared, we can always come to God for help because He loves us. Let's check out our Memory Verse—it's from Psalm 56, verse 3.

SLIDE: Memory Verse

"Let's read it together:"

LEADER and KIDS: "When I'm afraid, I put my trust in you. —Psalm 56:3"

LEADER: "Trusting God when we're afraid . . . that takes courage. And knowing He is our hope makes all the difference. Now, let's get comfortable, find our seats, and get ready to dive into God's Word to hear an amazing true story from the Bible!"

BIBLE STORY

VIDEO: So and So Show

SLIDE: Bottom Line

"Rahab took a huge risk. She could have been killed for hiding enemy spies. But she chose to trust in God and had the courage to help these men who were a part of His family. And because of her courage, she and her whole family were saved.

"God saw Rahab's trust in Him! She really wanted to be a part of God's team, a part of God's family. And God did something super-special! Not only did Rahab become a part of God's family, but God made her a part of Jesus' family tree! Because many, many years after Rahab lived, Jesus was born in her family! Rahab is one of Jesus' great-great-great-so-many-greats-grandmothers!

"Rahab's courage to help others in need, fueled by her growing faith in God, had an impact that echoed through generations. Rahab showed us something so important:

[Bottom Line] "God can give you courage to help someone in need.

"Rahab saw people in need—the spies. She knew helping them was risky. But she also recognized something powerful about their God, and she chose to act."

APPLICATION

COMMUNICATOR: "Rahab wanted to be on God's team, so when she had a chance to help the spies from His family, God gave her the courage to do it. And that's the same for us!

"How do we tell the world we're on God's team? By loving people the way Jesus did! Jesus always helped people who needed help. Maybe it's a new kid at school who looks lost and lonely. It takes courage to walk over and say hi. But that's what someone on Jesus' team would do. Maybe it's seeing someone being made fun of. It takes courage to speak up or to go stand with them. But that's what someone on Jesus' team would do. Maybe it's a friend going through a tough time. It takes courage to just sit with them and listen, or to offer help even when you don't know exactly what to do. Helping them, speaking up for them, or just being kind when it's not the popular thing to do—that is showing that you follow Jesus because you're being kind, just like He would be!

"And you aren't on your own when you're kind like Jesus! When you decided to follow Jesus, God moved inside of you through His Holy Spirit. He is closer than close! And as you go throughout your day, you'll feel a nudge from Him to help and do something. And He will give you the strength to do it! So just do what you feel Him nudging you to do. Jesus' very Spirit will lead you to be kind like He is!"

LANDING

COMMUNICATOR: "As we saw this week, helping someone often involves stepping out of your comfort zone. It might feel a little scary. But when we trust God, like Rahab did, He can give us the courage we need. Trusting God can empower us to act, to be His hands and feet for someone who needs it. And when you do that, you're showing them a glimpse of who God is and how He loves them. God can give you courage to help someone in need."

COMMUNICATOR: "As you head to Small Groups, I want you to really dig into this Conversation Starter!

SLIDE: Conversation Starter

[Conversation Starter] "When have you needed courage to help someone?

SLIDE: Theme

"Think about those times. What made it hard? What helped you (or could help you) be brave? How can Rahab's story inspire you this week to look for ways to help others, even if it takes a little courage? Let's ask God to help you before you go."

PRAYER

COMMUNICATOR: "God, thank You for Rahab's example of courage and faith. Thank You that she trusted You, was kind, and helped others. We want to be kind like You are! Teach us how to listen to the nudges of Your Holy Spirit. Show us how You want us to help people, and then give us the courage to act. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

After prayer, Communicator dismisses kids to Small Group.