

K-5TH

Large Group

August–Week 3

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

### PRE-SERVICE

GAME 15 MIN

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### LARGE GROUP [33 MIN]

OPENING GAME 10 MIN

WORSHIP 5 MIN

STORY VIDEO 13 MIN

BOTTOM LINE

WHAT'S OUR PART IN THE STORY

SALVATION MOMENT 5 MIN

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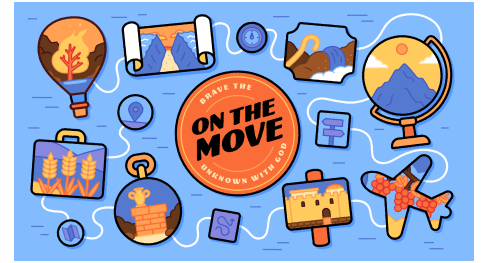
### SMALL GROUP [30-35 min]

APPLICATION 1 12 MIN

APPLICATION 2 12 MIN

CLOSING PRAYER 6 MIN

THIS MONTH



## Today's Bible Story

Rahab Helps  
the Spies  
Joshua 2  
(Supporting: Joshua 6:22-25)

### Bottom Line

God can give you  
courage when others  
are afraid.

### Memory Verse

"When I'm afraid, I put  
my trust in you"  
Psalm 56:3

## PRE-SERVICE GAME

### What You Need

- ☐ Prepared Bag with nine Bingo Cards Inside
- ☐ “Brave Acts Bingo” Activity Page
- ☐ Pencils

### What You Do

Give every kid a “Brave Acts Bingo” Activity Page and a pencil.

Say,

“We’re going to play a game that helps us think about all the different ways people can be brave, even when they feel afraid.”

Connect Together:

Pull one Bingo card from the bag and read it aloud.

If a kid has done that act of bravery before, invite them to mark that square on their board.

Keep drawing cards until someone gets three in a row (across, up and down, or diagonally).

Pause and ask:

→ “What does it take to be brave in these situations?”

→ “How do you think God helps you be brave when you’re helping someone else?”

“That was so fun! Guessing the challenges was tough, but you nailed it!

[TRANSITION] That reminds me of our true story from the Bible today.

We’re going to hear about some really brave spies. They weren’t brave because they were the strongest, but because they knew God was and He was with them. So they trusted God with their big, brave mission. Let’s go!”

## LARGE GROUP

### OPENING GAME

#### What You Need

- ☐ Painter's tape—to create clearly defined start and finish lines to mark either side of the “river”
- ☐ 3 carpet squares, sturdy cardboard pieces, or poly spots per team (These are “rafts.” Please have fewer rafts on each team than team members.)
- ☐ Optional: Large blue tarp(s), several blue fabric pieces to fill in the water of the “river”

### WORSHIP

### STORY VIDEO

### SALVATION MOMENT

#### What You Need

- ☐ Salvation cards
- ☐ Salvation sheet

### What You Do

HOST: “Welcome back, amazing movers and adventurers! Are you ready for another ‘On the Move’ challenge today? (WAIT FOR CHEERS.)

Fantastic!

“Sometimes on a big journey, travelers face HUGE obstacles, like a wide, rushing river! Today, your teams need to work together to get everyone safely across this tricky river! (GESTURE TO THE “RIVER” AREA.)

“Let’s get into teams of four. Let’s form as many teams as we can. (PAUSE WHILE THE KIDS FORM TEAMS OF FOUR. GIVE EACH TEAM A SET OF THREE “RAFTS.”)

“Here’s the challenge: Each team has a few special ‘rafts.’ (SHOW A RAFT PROP.) You are to use these rafts to get your ENTIRE team from this side of the river (POINT TO START OF THE RIVER AREA) to the other side (POINT TO THE FINISH OF THE RIVER AREA).

“The rules are:

1. No one can touch the ‘water’—you must always be on a raft!
  2. You have to move your rafts along with you. It’s all about teamwork and helping each other move forward!
- “Does every team have their rafts? Do you understand the rules? (PAUSE FOR RESPONSES.)

Great! Let me give you a minute or so to discuss your strategy with your team. (GIVE TEAMS A MINUTE OR SO TO DISCUSS THEIR STRATEGY.)

“Okay, teams! Let’s do this! On your mark . . . get set . . . CROSS THAT RIVER!

AUDIO -> Play high-energy music

- Cheer on the kids as they move across the river. Celebrate cooperation over speed.
- If a team “falls in,” encourage them to do a silly travel action and restart from their last safe raft.

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"Incredible teamwork, everyone! You helped each other move across a big obstacle! Give your team a high-five!"

"Sometimes, helping someone isn't about crossing a river, but about helping them when they're in a tough spot—even if it takes courage from you. Today, we're learning that God can give you courage to help someone in need. Let's say that together!"

HOST and KIDS: "God can give you courage to help someone in need!"

HOST: "That's a powerful truth! Now, let's get ready to worship the God is with us every step of our lives and who gives us courage!"

## SMALL GROUP

### APPLICATION 1

#### What You Need

☐ “Story Adventure” Activity Page

## What You Do

Before you begin, hide the “Story Adventure” Activity Page cards around your group space.

Gather the kids together.

Say, “Today we’re going to go on an adventure as we review what happened with Rahab and the spies!”

Explain how to play:

→ Lead the kids to follow you to locate one of the cards. Show them what a card looks like!

→ On your go, kids will travel together around the room to locate the rest of the “Story Adventure” Activity Page cards—there are eight total.

→ As they get closer to finding each card, you can say things like, “You are getting closer!” Or: “You’re far away!”

→ Once the kids find a card, instruct them to bring it back to you.

→ Play until all eight cards are collected!

Celebrate the kids for finding the images.

Work together with your group to place the cards in order.

Before reading each card, ask:

→ “What do you see happening in this picture?”

Once the cards are in order, read the cards aloud.

“WOW! Rahab saw that the one, true God is strong and good, and she chose to believe in Him even though the people in her city didn’t. THAT’S where her courage came from. It wasn’t just her being brave—it was God helping her to be brave!

“Rahab knew the spies worshipped the one true God, and she wanted to be a part of God’s team, His family, too! So she helped the spies when they needed help. Because of her courage, she and her family were saved when God’s people entered Jericho! It was a BIG risk for sure. And guess what? God protected Rahab and her family just like the spies promised. And Rahab not only became an important member of God’s family, God was so proud of her trust that He made her a great-great- many-times-great-grandmother of Jesus!

“God can give you courage too! So when you see someone who needs help, on the playground, at school, or anywhere, [BOTTOM LINE] God can give you courage to help someone in need.”

## SMALL GROUP

### APPLICATION 2

#### What You Need

☐ Bible marked at Psalm

56:3

☐ Floor Tape

☐ Toy Cars

#### What You Do

Invite an older kid to read Psalm 56:3 to the group from the marked Bible. (Or read it yourself, if needed!)

Lead the kids to repeat the Memory Verse together several times. Review any words that might be unfamiliar to the kids.

Use floor tape to create two circles like a bullseye target on the floor—like this @.

Tape a starting line just a few feet away from the target.

Give each kid a toy car. If you don't have a toy car for each kid, let them take turns.

Explain how to play:

→ Invite kids to line up, side-by-side, and take turns rolling their cars toward the target.

→ If a car lands inside the target, the group is to repeat the Memory Verse together aloud.

→ If a car lands in the center of the target, the leader is to say the verse with lots of energy!

Continue until every kid gets a turn. Gather the kids to discuss.

“That was super-fun! This verse is a BIG truth for us to remember. Who should we put our trust in? (INVITE RESPONSES.) God—that’s right! We can put our trust in God. Why? Well, because of WHO God is! God is strong. God is kind. God always keeps His promises. And, God will never leave us alone.

Friends, that’s why we can put our trust in God. Before we do anything brave, before we face fears, and before we help anyone—we can say this truth out loud: ‘When I’m afraid, I put my trust in You, God!’ That’s a promise we can all hold onto!

“No matter how big or small the situation is, God is always with you. God gives you His courage, not just regular courage. The kind of courage that helps you do the right thing even when it’s hard. He is with us and promises to give us all the courage we need! You can put your trust or confidence in God, because [BOTTOM LINE] God can give you courage to help someone in need.”

## **SMALL GROUP**

### **CLOSING PRAYER**

What You Need

☐ No supplies needed

### **What You Do**

Close out in prayer

“Dear God, thank You for always being with us through Your Holy Spirit.

Give us the courage to be kind like You are. Help us in the situations we’ve shared in this chain.

Teach us to listen to Your Spirit so we can be courageous and kind as we go throughout our day. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

# GETTING READY

## What You Need

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PRE-SERVICE GAME

**LARGE GROUP**

**OPENER GAME**

**WORSHIP**

**SALVATION MOMENT**

**SMALL GROUP**

**APPLICATION 1**

**APPLICATION 2**

**CLOSE OUT IN PRAYER**