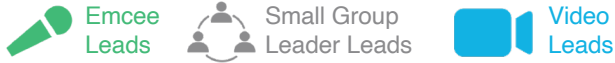




SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

Discerning Truth • Week 2 • What Is Truth?



Countdown Timer
 Start video when experience begins • Tidy room • Get into a small group with your kids
 5 min

Small Group Welcome
 Get kids talking • Help each kid in your small group feel seen and heard
 3 min

- **Introduce** yourself and **welcome** kids by name.
- **Catch up** on prayer requests and life events.
- **Talk about** welcome question: **What do you think it's like to be a detective and solve mysteries?**

Theme Song
 Sing and dance along • Encourage your small group to join in
 1 min

Emcee Intro Koneksi
 Focus your small group on emcee
 30 sec

Rules Video
 Focus your small group on video • Encourage kids to count out and say each rule with video
 1 min

Emcee Giving Koneksi
 Focus your small group on emcee
 30 sec

Offering Teaching Video
 Focus your small group on the video • Follow campus procedure to collect offering
 90 sec

Worship Teaching Video
 Focus your small group on video • Stand with your kids when video prompts you to
 1 min

Worship Music Videos
 Sing and dance along • Encourage your small group to join in
 ≈ 6 min

- I Believe
- Jesus Is Alive Right Now

Emcee Activity Koneksi
 Focus your small group on emcee
 30 sec

Small Group Activity
 Have fun doing activity with your small group
 9 min

You'll Need

Per Kid	1 Sheet of paper
Per Group	1 Trash basket

After Activity

Kids Keep	Nothing
You Keep	Trash basket (save to reuse)

To Do

Say: God's truth is something to love and trust. But not everything we hear is true. False stuff is worse than slimy trash—throw it away from your heart and mind as fast as you can. Let's play a game about that.

1. Kids **sit** in a circle with space between each kid.
2. **Place** trash basket in center of group.
3. **Give** each kid a sheet of paper and have them **wad it up** into a piece of trash.
 - **If the statement is truth:** kids jump up high with thumbs up in the air.
 - **If the statement is trash (a lie):** kids throw their paper wad into the trash basket.
5. **Reveal** whether the statement was truth or trash.
6. **Reset** to seated position or return paper wads to kids as needed.
7. **Ask** kids if they've ever heard the truth or the lie you just read before. They can share about it if they want.
8. **Repeat** steps 4-7 as time allows.

Emcee Point Koneksi
 Focus your small group on emcee
 30 sec

Konnnect HQ Teaching Show
 Focus your small group on video as you watch it together
 ≈ 17 min

Konnnect HQ ABCs
 Focus your small group on video • Help kids say admit, believe, and choose with video
 1 min

Emcee Wrap-Up Koneksi
 Focus your small group on emcee
 30 sec

Small Group Talk & Prayer
 Get kids talking • Pray with your small group • Build relationships
 13 min

Review the Point and Bible verse:

God, please help me learn and see the truth that You are teaching me.

John 17:17 NLT "Make them holy by your truth; teach them your word, which is truth."

- What do you think this Bible verse is talking about?

Choose a question to get your group talking:

- What would you say the word "true" means?
- Talk about some things you want to know the truth about.
- What do you think you can do to learn the truth about those things?
- The Bible is God's Word to us and can help us learn spiritual truth. What spiritual truth do you think the Bible can help you learn about? Ideas: *Who God is, God's love, how to follow Jesus and honor Him, etc.*

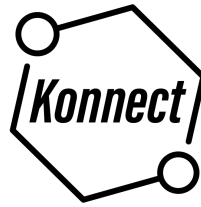
Pray Together:

- **Ask** kids what they'd like to talk with God about.
- **Lead** prayer or help kids **pray** for each other.

What to do with extra time:

- **Help** kids **talk** with each other and **build** friendships.
- **Play** a game like *Charades* or *Duck, Duck, Goose*.

Check Out
 Greet parents • Praise kids • Stay in small group until check out ends
 ≈ 10 min



TRUTH OR TRASH ACTIVITY SUPPLEMENT DISCERNING TRUTH // WEEK 2 // WHAT IS TRUTH?

TRUTH statements

- I can read the Bible to see what Jesus teaches.
- Jesus is the Son of God.
- When I need help knowing God's truth, one thing I can do is pray.
- When I follow Jesus, the Holy Spirit lives in me and helps me learn God's truth.
- Sometimes my opinion or my feelings are wrong about what is true.
- I can always trust that God's truth is what's best for me.
- If I find out I believed something untrue, I can trust God to help me find what is true.
- The more I spend time with Jesus, the more I learn about God's truth.
- When I don't know what's true, it's okay to ask a trusted adult for help.
- The Bible teaches us what is good and true.

TRASH statements

- The Bible can tell me if pizza is better than pasta.
- If I wish something is the truth, it's the truth.
- If someone disagrees with me, it always means one of us is wrong.
- If I feel like something's good and true, then it's always good and true.
- I'm not old enough to read, learn, or investigate what is true.
- If I'm not sure what's true, I have to figure it all out on my own.
- If you strongly believe something deep in your heart, it's the truth.
- Everyone always agrees that God's truth is best.
- You should never have to change your thoughts or habits for any reason.
- As soon as I start following Jesus, I'll know everything about what's true and what's not.