

God's Amazing Promise

Abraham Is Called by God

October 2024

Prop Talk

C // Faith Seeds // September 28-30 // **Week 1**
D // Faith Flower // October 5-7 // **Week 2**
A // Happy to Wait // October 12-14 // **Week 3**
B // Brain Game // October 19-21 // **Week 4**

Worship

I Can Trust God
I'll Go

The Ark Quick Look

Bible Verse

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| Worship | Leads kids to praise God | Sing & dance along with worship songs |
| Marty's House | Reviews Question, Answer, Verse, & Picture Passes | Say Question & Answer; say & do motions of Bible verse |

Order of Experience

Play 20 minutes

- Make sure *Pre-Experience Music* is playing
- Keep *Toys With A Purpose* at separate centers
 - Play with the kids

Clean Up 2 minutes

- Put *Toys With A Purpose* on curriculum cart
- Play *Current Week* video; pause when *Prop Talk* shows on screen
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Prop Talk 5 minutes

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Movie & Music ≈23 minutes

- Unpause video to play the *Bible Adventure*
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- Use *Picture Passes* and *Adventure Bag*
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PROP TALK A

Whole Group Leader Guide



GOD'S AMAZING PROMISE

1ST HAPPY TO WAIT

directions on back

YOU'LL NEED

- Toy clock (1 per room)

2ND SAY WITH ME

all ages

Say Together: I can trust God!

3RD QUESTIONS

age 4

- **What grows in our hearts when we wait patiently for God?** *Faith*
- **Who can help you wait when you have to wait, and wait, and wait ... for a really long time?** *God, Jesus, our parents, our teachers, our leaders, etc.*

HAPPY TO WAIT

directions

1. **Show** clock.

Ask: What's this? What do you use it for?

2. Kids **respond**.

Say: That's right! It shows the time, and it helps you wait. Let's practice waiting by playing a froggy jumping game! Do you want to play it with me?

3. Kids **respond**.

Say: Okay! First, you have to crouch down and stay still and quiet—like a stone. Don't move a muscle!

4. **Move** clock hands to 3:00.

Whisper: When these clock hands point all the way up, you get to jump like frogs! We're waiting ... waiting ... waiting.

5. **Slowly move** the hour hand while you talk from 3:00 to 12:00.

Say: We waited! Jump, frogs, jump!

6. Kids **stand** and **jump** for a few seconds.

7. Get kids to **crouch down** again and **be still**.

8. **Repeat** steps 4-7 again as time allows, but **move** clock hands more slowly each time.

Say: Friends, you waited patiently! When you wait patiently, you show faith in God. He'll give you what you need at just the right time!

9. **Say** "Say With Me" listed on the front.

10. For age 4, **ask** "Questions" listed on the front.

PROP TALK B

Whole Group Leader Guide



GOD'S AMAZING PROMISE

1ST BRAIN GAME

directions on back

YOU'LL NEED

- Brain hat (1 per room)

2ND SAY WITH ME

all ages

Say Together: I can trust God!

3RD QUESTIONS

age 4

- **What do you use to think and remember?**
Your brain
- **What are some good things you can remember about God?** *Ideas: God loves me; God is always with me; God helps me when I have problems; God makes me brave when I'm scared or worried; etc.*

BRAIN GAME

directions

1. **Pretend** you're feeling a little confused. **Scratch** your head, **act** clueless in a lighthearted way.

Say: Friends, something is wrong. I can't remember my name! I can't seem to think or remember. What do I need to use?

2. **Tap** your head as a clue.
3. Kids **respond**. *Your brain!*
4. **Show** the brain hat.

Say: A-ha! Here's my brain hat! It should help me think better.

5. **Pick** a kid to **put** the hat on you.

Say: Oh, thank you! Now I remember! My name is *your name*. I used my brain to remember!

6. **Take off** hat again, and **act forgetful** again.
7. **Repeat** steps 5-6 with these questions:
 - What are these things on my feet? *Shoes*
 - What's my brain for? *To think and remember*
 - When I trust God, do I show faith? *Yes*
 - What grows when I remember good things about God? *Faith*
 - Who always loves me? *God, Jesus*
8. **Say:** Your faith grows big and strong when you use your brains to remember God loves you and does good things for you!
9. **Say** "Say With Me" listed on the front.
10. For age 4, **ask** "Questions" listed on the front.

PROP TALK C

Whole Group Leader Guide



GOD'S AMAZING PROMISE

1ST FAITH SEEDS

directions on back

YOU'LL NEED

- Transparent jar of mustard seeds (1 per room)

2ND SAY WITH ME

all ages

Say Together: I can trust God!

3RD QUESTIONS

age 4

- **What helps your faith seed grow?** *Following Jesus, trusting and believing God, etc.*
- **What happens when your faith seed grows big and strong?** *I obey, help, show love, tell about Jesus, etc.*

FAITH SEEDS

directions

1. **Show** container of seeds to kids and **shake** them a bit.

Say: When we trust and follow Jesus, we have faith like a tiny seed in our hearts. Let's pretend these are faith seeds! Say, "I trust and follow Jesus!" and I'll sprinkle these faith seeds into your hearts!

2. Help kids **chant** together, "I trust and follow Jesus!"
3. **Shake** seeds over kids, and **pretend** they're landing in their hearts.

Ask: When we put a plant seed in the ground, what does it need to grow?

4. Kids **respond**.

Ask: Great answers! Seeds really need water and sunshine to grow, right? And when we decide to trust and follow Jesus, what does our faith seed need to grow?

5. Kids **respond**.

Say: Good ideas! Our faith seeds need us to trust God so they can grow. Let's play a game about that!

6. Everyone **crouches** in a ball to pretend to be a tiny seed.
7. **Say** together, "Trust God!"
8. Everyone **opens up** and **stands** a little bit taller.
9. Keep **saying**, "Trust God!" **standing up** a little bit taller each time, until everyone is as tall as they can be.

Say: Wow! Look how big and strong our faith has grown! Now our faith can help others and helps us tell them about Jesus, too.

10. **Say** "Say With Me" listed on the front.
11. For age 4, **ask** "Questions" listed on the front.

PROP TALK D

Whole Group Leader Guide



GOD'S AMAZING PROMISE

1ST FAITH FLOWER

directions on back

YOU'LL NEED

- Drawstring bag filled with flower stacking toy pieces (1 per room)

2ND SAY WITH ME

all ages

Say Together: I can trust God!

3RD QUESTIONS

age 4

- **What is your favorite good thing about God?**
Answers will vary.
- **Say another prayer for us to help our faith grow.** *Let kids pray for the group.*

FAITH FLOWER

directions

Say: When we put seeds in dirt and give them water and sunshine, they grow into plants. I have some plant toys we can pretend to grow right now!

1. **Take out** a few of the base pieces (flat green pieces with holes in them) and **connect** them together on the ground in front of you.

Say: I have a great idea! Let's pretend this garden is in our hearts. We'll plant seeds of faith that can grow when we trust God!

2. Together with kids, **sprinkle pretend seeds** onto the green base you've assembled.

Say: Now, let's pretend it's bedtime. Before we go to sleep, we'll pray a faith-filled prayer that shows how we trust God. And we'll see what happens next!

3. **Bow heads, close eyes,** and **pray** a prayer from the Trusting God Prayers List below. End each prayer with "In Jesus' name, amen."
4. Kids **pretend** to sleep.
5. While they "sleep," you **plant** a few green stem pieces into the green base.
6. **Wake** up kids. **Show** them how their faith seeds are growing, and **clap hands** to celebrate!
7. **Repeat** seps 3-6, adding a new piece to your garden each time. (stems, flowers, pistils, then stamens)
8. **Say** "Say With Me" listed on the front.
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Trusting God Prayers List

- God, we trust that You will help us be patient when we have to wait a very long time.
- God, we trust that You always love us.
- God, we trust that You're always good.
- God, we trust that You care about each of us.
- God, we trust that You will help us.
- God, we trust that You are always with us.
- God, we trust that You hear us when we pray.