

WEEK 3 ELEMENTARY WORSHIP



BIG IDEA

I am confident because God leads me.

THE BIBLE

Your Word is a Lamp for My Feet: Psalm 119:101-105; (John 8:12)

WHAT? What are we talking about today?

MUSIC | Worship

• INSTRUCTIONS: Sing a few worship songs with your kids!

ACTIVITY | Follow the Rainbow

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Give each kid a fun-sized bag of Skittles. Each round, tell the kids to pull out one Skittle and notice the color. For each color, give a different instruction for them to follow. At the count of three, tell everyone to do the action based on their Skittle color. Repeat as many times as you'd like!
 - $\circ~$ Red: Stand up and do a dance
 - Orange: Do ten jumping jacks
 - o Yellow: High five someone with your same color Skittle
 - Green: Recite last week's Big Idea, I am safe because God watches over me, as loud as you can!
 - Purple: Do five push-ups
- Was it easy to remember what you were supposed to do for each color?

QUESTION | Who Leads You?

- We all have leaders in our lives. Let's think about some of the leaders we have.
- Who is the leader in a school? (Principal)
- Who is the leader in a classroom? (Teacher)
- Who is the leader at home? (Parents or guardians)
- Who is the leader in a city? (Mayor)
- Who is the leader of the country? (President)

SING | WEEK 3 WORSHIP LESSON

- God should be the ultimate leader of our lives. But God also gives us people who are wiser than us to help lead us.
 - **PRETEEN HACK:** Ask students to share responses to the following questions: What qualities make a person someone worth following? What are necessarily qualities of a leader?

THE BIG IDEA | I am confident because God leads me.

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Tell the kids to follow you around the room. You can add in some silly actions while you do this, if you'd like. Play a fun song!
- While you were following me around, did you ever think I would lead you to somewhere dangerous? No! Because you know I care about each of you and I want you to be safe. This week's Big Idea is, I am confident because God leads me!

SCRIPTURE | Psalm 119:101-105

- **INSTRUCTIONS**: Look up the story in your Bible and encourage the kids to do the same. Read it! You might want to consider using a translation that's easier to understand such as the NIRV.
 - Turn the lights off, and read the scripture with the help of a flashlight! Use the flashlight as an example of how God's word lights up the path.
- Light is very important! It helps us to see everything around us. When we can see things clearly, we know which way to go.
- God's words to us, like those right here in the Bible, are like light for our lives. When we obey God's words, they help to protect us from harm and danger. And when we need to know what to do and what not to do, God helps us figure it out.
- **Read verse 103 again.** The psalmist, or the writer of the psalm, says God's words are sweeter than honey. That means he loves God's Word so much and enjoys spending time with God. When we have that same love for God's Word, we will read the Bible more. And when we read the Bible more, we will always know which way God is leading us!
- The Word of God is a lamp unto our feet that shows us the path of God. Sometimes the world might seem like a dark and scary place, and sometimes we can be confused and not sure how to act or what to do. When we remember God's Word and trust in Jesus, God's light will drive the darkness away and we will be able to see God's will and plan for us! This is why the Word of God is important. The Bible shows us how to live our lives for Jesus, and the more we study it the more we will know the right things to do!

STORY | In Need of Light

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Share a story about a time when you really needed light. It can be a story about when there was a blackout or just at night when you were trying to make it to the bathroom in the dark.
- Do you have a story of when you were in the dark, too? Share it with us!
- Light just makes things better! We should let God be our light and let God lead us wherever we are going.



DISCUSSION

- Why are lamps so important?
- How is God's word is like a lamp for us?
- Where can we find God's words?
- Read Psalm 119:105 again. What are some challenges you might face if you are walking around in the dark without a light on your path?
- Can anyone think of some Bible verses that help us know what we should do?
- Why do you feel safe and confident when God leads you?
- What are some ways you can follow God this week?

PRAYER

• Thank You, God, for being a lamp in my life. You lead me and make sure I stay safe. Thank You for Your words that help me to know the right thing to do.

MEMORY VERSE | Rap Battle

• **INSTRUCTIONS:** Since this series is called, "Sing!" try different ways to sing the memory verse. This week, encourage the kids to try rapping the memory verse! You can play a fun track like <u>this one</u> for them to use as their background. The kids can even challenge each other to a mini rap battle.