

3RD, 4TH, & 5TH GRADE

WEEK 3 - JUNE 19TH, 2022

OKIDS

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY: LAST SUPPER — MATTHEW 21:1–17; 26:1–30; JOHN 12:1–19; 13:1–17

As kids arrive, greet them by name and tell them you're glad they are at church today. While kids filter in, ask the below questions and get to know them!

1. What's your most favorite meal ever? What food do you like the least? What weird food have you tried? What weird food would you try?
2. Are you celebrating Father's Day? Who are you celebrating? What do you do?

ACTIVITY #1 - EARLY ARRIVER

What You Need: No Supplies

1. Begin a rhythmic pattern: SLAP your knees twice, CLAP your hands twice, SNAP your fingers twice, and have the children join in the rhythm.
2. Then go around the circle with each child naming a way to serve on the beat of the two snaps.
3. You should go first to give them an example: slap-slap, clap-clap, "Sweep the floor!" After one round, vary the pattern or quicken the beat to add more difficulty—and more fun!



ACTIVITY #2 - SPARKLE MEMORY VERSE GAME

What You Need: No Supplies

1. Gather kids into a circle.
2. Choose 1 person to start the game by saying the first word in verse.
3. The next child will say the second word and so on, moving clockwise.
4. If anyone says a word incorrectly, or pauses for more than 5 seconds, they are out.
5. Move on to the next person in the circle to see if they know the missed word.
6. Repeat a few times, particularly if they are not getting the verse! Once they get the verse without missing a word see how many times they can do it, going faster and faster!

NOTE FOR LEADERS: This will be a monthly game in small group cards moving forward. We really want to foster a love for The Word. Let them know that on the last weekend of the month, if they know the memory verse and shares it correctly, they can get a small piece of candy. Avoid any awkwardness or shame by announcing, "Next weekend, if anyone thinks they know the memory verse and wants to share with us leaders, we'll be ready. If you don't know it yet, you have plenty of time to practice this week."

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ACTIVITY #3 - DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Who knows what the word humble means?
2. What is the opposite of humbleness?
3. Have you ever been having so much fun somewhere that you just didn't want to ever leave?
4. Jesus had the power to resist and to call an army of angels to His side—but He didn't! Why?
5. What are some ways we can serve people at home, at school, at church, and in the neighborhood?
6. Who can tell me what the meal was called that Jesus shared with His disciples?
7. What did Jesus do as a humble act of service for His disciples at that meal?
8. What did He tell His disciples to do, also?

ACTIVITY #4 - FATHER'S DAY CRAFT

What You Need: Paper, crayons, markers, stickers, etc.

- 1 Encourage everyone to make a card for their dad, grandpa, uncle or any man they'd like to wish a "Happy Father's Day" to.
2. Spread out card making supplies. Let kids decorate how they wish and then write a note on the inside.
3. When done, set aside and remind them to give their card to whoever they made it for.

SAY TO GROUP: "I love what you have made here! I am sure that your dad, uncle, grandpa, brother, foster parent, or whichever fella you created to give this to will absolutely love it! Be sure to wish them a Happy Father's Day and tell them how much you love them!"

ACTIVITY #5 - PRAYER

"Dear Lord Jesus, ...Help us to live a life of love ...and sacrifice for others ...as we follow Your example. ...You came to serve and not be served. ...You love us so much that You died on the cross. ...This was a pleasing aroma to God. ...Help us show our thanks for Your sacrifice ...by serving others as You did. ...In Your name we pray, Amen."

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."

*Galatians 5:22-23a
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