

David's Prayers

Psalms

All Levels

Large Group (Where we all meet together and introduce the lesson)

Materials needed -

- Greet all the kids as they come in. Ask them how they are doing, and chat with them about their week. Pray together, ask anyone if they have any prayer requests.

- Our memory verse for the month is Isaiah 41:10. Play this video while singing along. <https://www.seedsfamilyworship.com/product/do-not-fear-isaiah-4110/>

Ask the Kids if they have a favourite song or poem? Why do they like it? Who wrote it?

- Let's watch this together - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yImbRHFPSHk&list=PL5aPdmniG3y_n7hXEKTV4qQnleCe-p6Ws&index=32&t=0s

Break up into small groups

Review The Story (a chance to review the bible passage with the small group)

Materials needed -

- Greet everyone in your small group, make sure everyone knows each others names. Say a prayer together either by repeating after one of the teachers or just letting them pray.

Read "The Good Shepherd" on page 130 in The Jesus Storybook Bible.

Ask the kids the following questions

- What did David do before he became king?
- What was David's heart like? What was David's heart full of?
- What did David do that was bad?
- What is your favourite part of The Song of the Shepherd

Come back to a large group

Life Application (an opportunity for kids to apply the lesson to their own lives)

Materials needed - beanbags, prayer topics, rocks, card making materials, rocks, markers, matches, metal bucket, paper, magazines, glue, scissors

Set up a room full of prayer stations for kids, let them go through the stations and pray. Tell the kids that we are going to pray and talk to God because that is something David did to be a person after God's heart. We want to be after God's heart too.

- Set out a pile of small rocks and markers. Ask the kids to think of a word that describes God and write it on one of the rocks.
- Ask the kids to write down a prayer request on a piece of paper and then turn the paper into an airplane. Get everyone to fly their airplanes at the same time. Once they have all landed ask the kids to pick up an airplane that isn't theirs. Have each kid open up the new airplane and pray for what is inside.
- Have a stack of small pieces of paper for the kids. Ask them to think of something they can say sorry to God for. Write it on a piece of paper and put it in a metal bucket. Once everyone has written their things on a piece of paper, and give the kids time to talk to God. Go outside and burn up the pieces of paper. Talk to the kids about God's forgiveness.
- Put a few signs down on the floor close together, one says thank you, one can say pray for someone, one can say ask. Ask the kids to stand a few metres away from the signs on the floor and toss a bean bag. Once the bean bag lands on one of the signs, ask them to do whatever it says.
- Give the kids a number of magazines, ask them to cut out things they are thankful for and put tape them on the wall.
- Draw God pictures or make Him cards. Put them up on the wall

Memory Verse (a way to introduce and reinforce this month's memory verse)

Materials needed - memory verse sheets, tape

- Talk through the memory verse with the kids.
- Tape different pages of the memory verse up on different walls.
- Run to the different walls and say that part of the memory verse.
- Do this many times so the kids can start to memorize while having fun.