Solomon Builds The Temple

1 Kings 6 Grades 4,5

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

Materials needed - tents, sheets, old blankets (anything to make a tent or fort)

- 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/

Have church in a tent.

- when the kids come in have a few tents ready for them.
- Let them help you set up the tents.
- Once all the tents are set up, divide up and have all the kids inside a tent.
- Tell the kids that you are going to have a mini church service inside the tent.
- Pray with the kids, tell them todays story and see if they have anything to add to the story or any questions.
- Let's watch this together https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gFu0iY5g8r0

Break up into small groups

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

Materials needed - picture of Solomon's Temple, wood blocks, scissors glue

- 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 through 1 Kings 6. Show the kids a picture of Solomon's temple. Talk about all the different parts of the temple and how it was built.

Build a small replica of the temple using this.

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

Materials needed - Paper, crayons, lego, play-doh, popsicle sticks

Give the kids some building materials (paper, crayons, lego, play-doh, popsicle sticks) and let them design a temple for God.

- What do they think a temple needs?
- What would their dream church look like?

Have a discussion with the kids.

- Ask them how they would feel if God asked them to build a temple.
- Give them examples of things God has asked other people to do. (Maybe there is a Missionary in your church, or someone who has done some great things for God) Ask them to come in and tell their story.
- Pray with the kids. ask God if there is anything He would like any of you to do.

Memory Verse(a way to introduce and reinforce this months 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.