

Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: Large Maze, Maze Instructions

1. Introductions

Circle Up: As you come into the room, have Kid-Os say "hi" to someone else in the circle as they sit down. Encourage each Kid-O to say their name.

2. Discussion Questions

- What did God tell Noah to do? (Build a big boat, called an ark.)
- What did Noah do? (Obeyed God.)
- Why do you think obeying God is important? (He knows what's best for us, He loves us.)

Repeatable Phrases: "God knows what's best for me." "Obeying God is wise."

3. Hands-On Option

Do This: Show kids the large maze.

Say This: This is a big maze! It would be easy to get lost in here. I'm so glad we have directions to get through!

Do This: Walk through the maze, but partway through, start disobeying the instructions. When you reach a dead end, ask the Kid-Os why you didn't get to the end of the maze. (Because you didn't follow the directions!) Then, try walking through the maze again.

The Point: Those directions helped us get through the maze! Like that, when we obey God's instructions, it will help us live the way God made us to. God loves you, and will be with you no matter what!

4. Big Idea, Memory Verse, and Prayer

Do This: Practice the Memory Verse and the Big Idea with the kids.

Memory Verse: Psalm 121:1-2 – "I look up to the mountains. Where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord. He is the Maker of heaven and earth."

Big Idea: I can obey God.

Do This: Encourage them to talk about what they learned with their grown-ups.

Do This: Pray! "Dear God, we love you. Thank you for loving us. Help us to obey you. Amen.