

Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: Building Blocks.

1. Introductions

Circle Up: Have Kid-Os sit down in a circle as quickly as they can and give you a "thumbs up" when they are ready to listen.

2. Discussion Questions

- What is something you've had to practice at? (An instrument, a sport, a skill like building blocks or puzzles.)
- How do you think Joshua might have felt during his story? (Afraid, hopeful, courageous.)

3. Hands-On Option

Do This: Build a tower out of the blocks and invite one of the kids to knock it down.

Say This: Sometimes, we are going to face big challenges. Things might go wrong, or someone might do something that isn't very nice.

Ask: What did Joshua do when he faced big problems in our story? (He asked God for help, and kept on going.) Like that, God can help us try again when life gets tough.

Do This: Build the tower again with the kids' help.

The Point: Joshua faced some big challenges! He kept on going and kept on trying, because he knew God was with him.

4. Big Idea, Memory Verse, and Prayer

Do This: Practice the Big Idea and Memory Verse 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 keep going because God is with me.

Big Idea: 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. Thank you for helping us no matter what. Amen."