

Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: Jump rope

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

- Who had to trust God in our Bible Adventure today? (Gideon)
- What does it mean to "trust" someone? (To believe that what they say is true.)

3. Hands-On Option

Do This: Practice trusting by having one child hold on to both ends of a jump rope while you hold the middle. All the other kids can watch. Tell the child to close their eyes and listen to your voice as you lead them around the room. Give clear directions so it is easy to follow your lead. (You can try this activity with multiple Kid-Os if they are engaged.)

Say This: When you were holding the rope and your eyes were closed, you couldn't see where you were going. You had to trust that I would lead you safely around the room.

The Point: God wants to lead us and guide us. We can trust God, even when we can't see what will happen next. God loves each one of us so much.

4. Big Idea, Memory Verse, and Prayer

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

Memory Verse: Joshua 1:9 – "Be strong and brave. Do not be terrified. Do not lose hope. I am the Lord your God. I will be with you everywhere you go."

Big Idea: I can always trust God.

Do This: Encourage kids 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 trust you each day. Amen.