

TWO-THREE CURRICULUM

MAY 5

THEME: TRAINING CAMP: Plan, Practice, Grow

Today's Bible Story: Light My Way (God's Word Is a Light) • *Psalm 119:105*

Today's Bottom Line: Practice hearing from God.

Monthly Memory Verse: *Training the body has some value. But being godly has value in every way. It promises help for the life you are now living and the life to come.* 1 Timothy 4:8 (NIRV)

Monthly Virtue: Commitment—Making a plan and putting it into practice

Basic Truth: I need to make the wise choice.

SOCIAL ACTIVITY

Early Arriver

What You Need: Offering container, and floor tape

What You Do:

- Greet kids with a high five or a fist bump as they arrive.
- Invite any kids who brought offerings to place them in the offering container.
- Place a line of floor tape in the center of the small group area.
- Say: "The floor behind the line is land. The floor in front of the line is sea. And jumping directly up is air!"
- One at a time, in no particular order, say one of the elements (land, sea, or air), directing kids to move to that location.
 - If a kid makes a mistake, instruct them to do three jumping jacks!
- Continue as time and energy allow.

SMALL GROUP ACTIVITY:

1. Highlight God's Word

What You Need: "Highlight God's Word" Activity Page, and highlighters

What You Do:

- Give each kid a highlighter and a "Highlight God's Word" Activity Page.

- Say: "I'm going to read a verse from Scripture out loud from the page you have in front of you. Highlight the words or phrases that jump out to you."
- For the first Scripture or two, instruct the kids to keep the cap on their highlighters as you read each verse, and emphasize key words or phrases to help them understand the process.
- After the first couple of verses, challenge kids to highlight words or phrases on their own as you read the verses out loud.
- After each verse, ask: "What words or phrases in this passage of Scripture stuck out to you?"

What You Say:

"I loved hearing what words from all of those verses stood out to each of you. The beautiful thing is that sometimes we had different things highlighted—and that's great! God speaks to each of us in different ways through the Bible. Reading God's Word is one way that we can.

2. Memory Verse Training Camp

What You Need: Bibles

What You Do:

- Make sure each kid has a Bible.
- Together, look up 1 Timothy 4:8.
- Read the verse a few times together.
- Say: "I challenge you to a Memory Verse Training Camp!"
- Practice repeating the verse together several times, adding an exercise/action with each word or phrase.
- Invite kids to share ideas for each action.
- Here are some examples of actions:
 - When you say the word "value," do two jumping jacks.
 - When you say the word "life," do two push-ups.
 - When you say the word "training," do a body-builder pose.

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- When you say the word “promise(s),” jump as high as you can.
- Repeat several times with different actions, as time and interest allow.

What You Say:

“You all did a great job training for this month’s Memory Verse! The more we practiced, the better we got. When we memorize Scripture, that’s one way we can **[Bottom Line] practice hearing from God**. God can speak to our hearts and minds when we take time to read God’s Word and are quiet enough to listen to what God is telling us. When we make a habit of reading the Bible, listening to an app, memorizing verses, or hearing from wise people, we can **[Bottom Line] practice hearing from God** and grow in our faith

3. Pray With Your Group