

MONTHLY OVERVIEW GOD VIEW:

Throughout Scripture, we can see how peace is something near to God's heart. Even though people chose to break their relationship with God, God made a way to fix that relationship through Jesus. And because we reflect God's image, making peace with others should be a priority for us as well. That's why we're taking the first three weeks of March to highlight some passages and stories about peace to help kids understand how they can be peacemakers in their world.

Memory Verse:

"If possible, live in peace with everyone. Do that as much as you can." Romans 12:18

Connected

Week 1

Live in Peace with Everyone Romans 12:18 Why is it important to make Peace?

<u>Week 2</u>

Abram and Lot Genesis 13:5-18 Why is it hard to give up what you think is fair?

<u>Week 3</u>

Abigail Intervenes 1 Samuel 25:1-35 How can you be a peacemaker?

Week 4

Palm Sunday Matthew 21:1-11 Why are promises important?

Week 5

Easter Luke 24:1-12, 36-49 Why does Easter matter?

Connected

Lower Elementary Week 5

GOD VIEW

Jesus is alive. As we celebrate Easter this year, we want kids to know why we make such a big deal about this special day. Jesus isn't just someone who said and did some cool things long ago. We believe that Jesus is God's Son . . . and through Him, we can have life forever with God. That's only possible because Jesus is alive! We pray that kids will understand what Jesus has done for them and choose to put their trust in Him.

MEMORY VERSE

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Romans 12:18

BIBLE TRUTH Easter Luke 24:1-12, 36-49

Bottom Line Why does Easter matter?

SMALL GROUP

Discussion Questions

NOTES

- All yellow highlighted text are cues for visual and audio slides.
- The text in red indicates stage directions.

Connected - Week 5 Teaching Outline:

Start at 15 after (if service is expected to be about an hour)

- 9. INTRO: Welcome kids, get them excited.
- 10. Worship
- 11. Room Rules
- 12. Intro: Connected
- 13. Bible Lesson Video
- 14. Application:
 - a. Weekly Bottom Line: Why does Easter matter?
 - b. Bible Verse: "If possible, live in peace with everyone. Do that as much as possible." Romans 12:18
 - c. Prayer

LESSON TOTAL: 30 MINUTES

15. Small Groups: 15 minutes

WELCOME 3 minutes

Hey everyone! I'm so glad you're all here today. (Welcome kids.) Let's all stand up and worship together.

WORSHIP 6-7 minutes

(Encourage kids to worship God through song and dance. Play worship songs.)

Show Worship: Here is our King

Show Worship: Lions

ROOM RULES

SHOW GRAPHIC: Elementary Room Expectations

We want to have all the fun here at Flatirons Kid's Ministry. We have a few things that we like to commit to make sure everybody has a good time.

Flatirons Kids Are:

Respectful: We respect everyone and take care of the room and toys we have.

Kind: We treat each other kindly, just like we want to be treated; we go out of our way to be kind to others in the room.

Focused: We listen and follow the leaders in the room and the teacher in each activity.

Accountable: None of us are perfect; we will all make mistakes, but we will try our best and choose to change our actions when needed.

Now we are ready to have some fun today. Let's go!

INTRO 1 minute Show Series Graphic: Connected

Hi, everyone. Happy Easter! I have to tell you—today's story is a big deal. It's the biggest deal there is! Are you ready for it? (*Pause for response.*) We're telling the story today from the gospel of Luke, the third New Testament book.

BIBLE TRUTH 10 minutes

Show Video: Video_WK5_Connected

APPLICATION 3 minutes

Show Graphic: WK5_BottomLine

More than 500 people saw Jesus after He was raised to life! Jesus proved that everything God says is true and that death is not the end. This is what we celebrate at Easter: Jesus is Alive!

Bible Verse

We also have a Bible verse for the month to help us remember:

Show Verse:

"If possible, live in peace with everyone. Do that as much you can." Romans 12:18

PRAYER

Let's pray!

Dear God, thank You for loving us. Thank You for sending Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. Thank You for the amazing truth that Jesus is alive—and that because of that, we can have peace with You and hope for tomorrow. Help us remember Easter's true meaning as we celebrate with our friends and family today. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen

SMALL GROUPS

(Have kids sit down in circle, in small groups, with volunteer leaders.)

Show Timer: Small Group Countdown