



## 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?

### Week 2

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

### Week 3

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 4

## GOD VIEW

**Jesus came to be our Savior.** Jesus was more than a good teacher and miracle worker. Jesus is God's very own Son. God promised that Jesus would come and save us from the consequences of our sin. When Jesus came, He fulfilled all of the promises that God made. On top of that, Jesus is the Savior we all need to have a forever relationship with God. We pray that all kids trust Jesus as their Savior this Easter season.

## MEMORY VERSE

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Romans 12:18

## BIBLE TRUTH

Palm Sunday  
Matthew 21:1-11

## Bottom Line

Why are promises important?

## 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 4 Teaching Outline:

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

1. INTRO: Welcome kids, get them excited.
2. Worship
3. Room Rules
4. FATW: Musana
5. Intro: Connected
6. Bible Lesson Video
7. Application:
  - a. Weekly Bottom Line: Why are promises important?
  - 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

8. 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**

Hello, everyone! Today we're in the book of Matthew, which is the first book of the New Testament. (Hold up Bible.) We're looking at what happened with Jesus in the days before He died on the cross and came back to life.

## BIBLE TRUTH 10 minutes

**Show Video: Video\_WK4\_Connected**

## APPLICATION 3 minutes

**Show Graphic: WK4\_BottomLine**

And while the crowds of people cheered for Jesus as King, the religious leaders were NOT happy. They wanted to put a stop to Jesus. But Jesus stayed focused on what He had come to do—to die on the cross for the world's sins. He knew that the hardest part was just ahead. You see, Jesus had a mission here on earth: to be the Savior of the entire world—for everyone, including you and me!

## 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 sending Your Son to be our Savior. Thank You for the things Jesus taught, the people He healed, and the love He showed to everyone. Thank You for the way Jesus died on the cross for our sins. As we look back at how Jesus entered Jerusalem, we remember that it was all part of Your good plan—and we are so grateful! 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**