



LOWER ELEMENTARY

MONTHLY OVERVIEW

GOD VIEW:

THE CONNECTION BETWEEN COMMITMENT AND GOD'S CHARACTER, AS SHOWN THROUGH GOD'S BIG STORY

Commitment is part of God's nature and how God interacts with us, keeping promises and putting plans into action. God's commitment to us is just one of the many reasons we can trust God no matter what. And because God's promises and plans came true in Jesus, we can be with God forever. We reflect God's character when we make a plan and stick to it. This month, we'll help kids discover that one of the best plans they can make is to commit to an ongoing relationship with Jesus. We hope they commit to practicing their faith by reading God's Word, praying to God honestly and consistently, talking about God with others, and living for God in how they show love throughout the everyday.

WEEK ONE

BIBLE STORY
God's Word Is a Light
Psalm 119:105

BOTTOM LINE
Practice hearing from God.

WEEK TWO

BIBLE STORY
The Lord's Prayer
Matthew 6:9-13

BOTTOM LINE
Practice praying to God.

WEEK THREE

BIBLE STORY
Peter Says That Jesus Is the
Messiah
Matthew 16:13-20

BOTTOM LINE
Practice talking about God.

WEEK FOUR

BIBLE STORY
The Widow's Offering
Mark 12:41-44

BOTTOM LINE
Practice living for God.

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

Week 1

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1 Timothy 4:8

Bible Truth

God's Word is a Light (Psalm 119:105)

Bottom Line

Practice hearing from God.

Small Group

Animal Sound Charades

NOTES:

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

Training Camp -Week 1 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 Expectations
4. FATW: AKB and Rise
5. Intro: Training Camp - Plan, Practice, Grow
6. Bible Lesson Video
7. Application
 - Weekly Bottom Line: Practice hearing from God.
 - 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
 - Prayer

Lesson Total: 30 minutes

8. Small Groups: 15 minutes

End on the hour



WELCOME 3 minutes

Hi everyone! Welcome to Flatiron Kids! It's a great day for us to sing and give praises to God. Let's all stand up on our feet as we sing our first Worship song together!

(Welcome kids).

WORSHIP 6-7 minutes

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

Show Worship Song: Every Move I Make

Show Worship Song: One Way

ROOM RULES

Show Graphic: Elementary Room Expectations

We want to have all the fun here at Flatiron Kids Ministry! We have a few things that we like to commit to make sure everybody has a good time.

Flatiron 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 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.



Show Graphic: Friends Around the World - AKB and Rise

We have friends here in the room, in our schools, and in our neighborhoods, but did you know that we have friends all over the world? Here at Flatirons, we do this really cool thing called Friends Around the World. Every month, we learn more about our friends in different places so we can pray for them and give our money to help them with the things they need. Those are both ways to show we love them!

This month, we're learning about our friends at America's Kids Belong and Rise. We'll watch a video that tells how God is using America's Kids Belong and Rise to help kids right here in Colorado.

Show Video : Friends Around the World - AKB and Rise

If you brought money this week, bring it up now and put it in our Friends Around the World container. (Collect offering.)

Show Song: Friends Around the World - AKB and Rise

INTRO 1 minute

Show Series Graphic: TRAINING CAMP- Plan, Practice, Grow

Today we're in the book of Psalms (hold up Bible). The book of Psalms is a book of songs that were written over many years. About half the Psalms were written by King David. The verses we're looking at today will help us discover an important way to grow in our relationship with God. If we can put this idea into practice, I know it'll make a BIG difference in our lives. It'll help us grow stronger in what we believe!

BIBLE TRUTH 10 minutes

Show Video: Video_WK1_StoryLab



APPLICATION 3 minutes

Show Graphic: WK1_Bottom Line

See, the very best way to make God's Word a LIGHT in your life is to make God's Word a PART of your life. The truth of the Bible can light the way for you, and for the people around you. When we read the Bible, it's a great way for us to HEAR from God. And that's an important part of our training plan.

Memory Verse:

Show Verse:

This month's Bible verse comes from the book of 1 Timothy 4:8, which is a letter the apostle Paul wrote to his young friend Timothy. Here it is:

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

PRAYER

Let's pray together!

Dear God, thank You so much for giving us the Bible. Your Word lights the way for us and help us to make the wise choice! Please help us to get in the habit of hearing from You. Give us the commitment we need to read the Bible and learn to live Your way every day. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

In Small Group, you'll play a fun activity that will test your hearing skills!
(Dismiss kids to their small groups).

SMALL GROUPS

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

Show Timer: Small Group Countdown