

WEDNESDAY: LOWER ELEMENTARY SG GUIDE

WHAT YOU NEED:

- “Live It Out Field Guide” with “Merit Badge Stickers”, coloring supplies, foam heart balls;
Inclusive Optional Supplies: smiley face stickers

WHAT YOU SAY:

- “Have you ever faced a tricky situation or felt unsure about what to do? (Invite responses.) Sometimes we face challenges, or we just don’t know the best way to act or speak. When we feel stuck, or even when we’ve messed up, God wants us to talk to Him. He wants us to pray! Jesus showed us how important it is to talk to God, His Father. We can have a relationship with God through Jesus, and that means we can always talk to Him in prayer! It feels good to know God listens to us, and it feels good to know we can pray for one another. It’s not always easy to know what to say or how to pray for others! But when you put your faith in Jesus, you have the Holy Spirit living inside you to help you do hard things, like remembering to pray for one another and asking God for help in every situation.”

WHAT YOU DO:

- Give each kid their “Live It Out Field Guide” from the previous day.
- Remind kids that this guide can help them pray as they learn how to love like Jesus.
- Set out the coloring supplies.
- Point out the third section of the guide.
- Help kids locate the word “pray” within the Bottom Line: Pray for one another.
 - Ask the kids to share some ideas for how they can pray for one another. (For example: Pray for a friend who is sad; pray for a family member who is sick; pray for your teachers; etc.)
- In the blank space, direct kids to either write the word “pray” in a fun, colorful way or draw a picture of hands clasped in prayer.
- Give each kid the third merit badge sticker to place in their guide.
- Explain that when kids see the sun, they can remember we can have a relationship with the Creator of the universe because God invites us to pray and talk with Him through Jesus.

WHAT YOU PRAY:

- “Dear God, thank You for the way You love us and always listen when we pray. Help us to pray for one another. We know that everyone needs Your guidance and help. That’s why You sent Jesus, who showed us how to pray and talk with You. Thank You for making a way for us to speak with You and to pray for one another. Amen.”

AS YOU FINISH:

- Collect each “Live It Out Field Guide” and set aside for the next day.