



WEEK TWO – JULY 2025 – SECOND/THIRD

Bible Story: *The Church Prays for Peter | 1 Timothy 2:1 (suppt. Acts 12:1-19)*

Bottom Line: *Pray for one another*

Memory Verse: *“Our God is a God who strengthens and encourages you. May he give you the same attitude toward one another that Christ Jesus had.”- Romans 15:5 (NIrV)*

Virtue: *Live It Out – Discover how to love like Jesus*

Basic Truth: *I should treat others the way I want to be treated*

Series Overview: Jesus is the greatest example of what it looks like to value others. Through the way He lived His life, Jesus taught us how to value one another. And when we follow Jesus, God’s Spirit helps us to live like Jesus—transforming not only us but the world around us.

8:45 - 9:00 | 10:45 – 11:00 | EARLY ARRIVERS ACTIVITY

Connection Centers

Connect: a time that invites kids to share with others and leaders

What You Need: Activity Bins + Coloring Sheets (find on your shelves in space)

What You Do:

- *PRE-CONNECTION TIME*
 - Before kids arrive, pray for your group. Pray for those who might visit your group for the first time. Thank God for being trustworthy and faithful in every situation. Thank God for sending Jesus as the perfect example of how to live! Ask God to help the kids in your group follow Jesus' example in their words and actions—no matter what challenges they face.
- *DURING CONNECTION TIME*
 - Greet each child by name and with a high five or fist bump!
 - **Make sure to grab second sticker from the child + place it on your sticker sheet**
 - Invite kids who brought an offering to place it in the offering container.
 - Pull out your activity bins + set aside some coloring sheets for kids to partake in your small group space
 - Ask questions in order to connect with + get to know your few as you partake in activities alongside them...you can use these :
 - “What’s something nice you did for someone this past week?”
 - “What’s been your favorite part of summer so far?”
 - “Can you tell me about something you are thankful for?”
 - “What’s your favorite thing to do with your family?”
 - “What’s the best part of your day when you are at school?”
 - “Who do you like to play with at home or school?”
- *AFTER CONNECTION TIME*

- *Use this time to review over how to be successful in small group time as well as Flatirons Kids by using the SG Structure 101 sheet featured on your activity shelf*
 - Go over each rule to create a great small group experience
- Transition into the Opening Small Group Activity

9:00 - 9:15 | 11:00 – 11:15 | OPENING SMALL GROUP

Opening Activity

Explore: an activity that extends learning through hands-on experimentation and discovery

What You Need: Dominoes

What You Do:

- Divide kids into groups of three.
 - It's fine to have a group of four!
- Direct the groups to spread out on the floor or another flat surface in your group area.
- Give each group a set of 10-20 domino tiles.
- Instruct the kids to arrange the dominoes in various patterns on the flat surface.
- Encourage kids to get creative by designing curves, zigzags, or even spirals with the dominoes.
- Direct the kids to line the dominoes up close enough so that one will knock the next one down as they fall.
- At your signal, lead each group to take turns knocking over their first tile to create a domino chain reaction!
- If time allows, encourage the groups to rebuild their domino patterns and repeat the process.
- Collect the dominoes and gather your group to discuss.

What You Say:

“You all came up with some cool domino designs! I loved watching the chain reactions as one domino hit the next. Get this: Dominoes aren’t the only thing that can make a chain reaction. Did you know YOU can too? That’s right! The things we say, the things we do . . . they have impact on the people around us.

[Transition] Friends, you were all made to create chain reactions, and today in our true story from the Bible, we’ll discover a group of people who started a different chain reaction that changed everything. Let’s go!”

9:15 - 9:50 | 11:20 – 11:50 | LARGE GROUP

This whole summer you get to lead kids through nine amazing weeks of discovering what it looks like to love like Jesus. Each week will break down a “one another” statement from the Bible. God designed us to be in community with one another even when it’s challenging, and we’ll need God’s Spirit to help guide us as we do. In these nine weeks, kids will learn about difficult concepts such as living in peace with one another or forgiving one another. Invite kids to bring open and honest conversation but be sure to create a safe space for them to process what makes some of those things challenging to do. Some kids may be in situations that make it hard for them to trust, forgive, be at peace with, or even pray for those who have mistreated or hurt them in some way. Be open to listening and hearing their needs and let them know you are here for them. Always be sure to bring the correct people into any conversation that involves the safety of a child.

9:50 – 10:10 | 11:50 – 12:10 | SMALL GROUP

Postcard Prayers

[Live for God | Application Activity]

Create: an activity that explores spiritual ideas through the process of drawing, building, and designing

What You Need: “Camp Prayers” Activity Page, coloring supplies, and pens (or pencils)

What You Do:

- Invite the kids to sit with you in a circle.
- Place the “Camp Prayers” Activity Pages and coloring supplies in the center of the circle.
- Invite the kids to select two postcards: one for the activity and one to set aside for later.
- Explain to the kids that they will be making prayer postcards to share with others!
- Encourage the kids to think about someone they would like to pray for this week.
 - *This could be a family member, a friend, a teacher, or anyone who comes to mind!*
- Give each kid a pen (or pencil).
- Direct the kids to fill in the blanks on the postcard with the person’s name who came to mind.
- Instruct the kids to decorate their postcards with coloring supplies.
- Encourage the kids to give their camp postcard to that person this week and to complete the other postcard for someone else next week!

What You Say:

“Today we discovered the impact of praying for the people right in front of us! It’s one way we can live and love like Jesus right now. The people prayed HARD for Peter, and Peter was set free!”

*“God’s answers won’t always be big and dramatic like an angel. If you pray for a friend who is sick, God may simply give them peace and patience while they heal. No matter what, we can trust that God hears us! Any time you see someone in need, make a habit of taking a moment to pray for them. God might send you to comfort a friend or family member! Ask God if YOU might be part of the answer to that prayer. Remember, **[Bottom Line] pray for one another.** So, let’s be ready to share our prayer postcards with someone who might need prayer this week!”*

Pray and Dismiss

[Pray to God | Prayer Activity]

Reflect: an activity that creates space for personal understanding and application

What You Need: “Prayer Stations” Activity Page, paper, pencils, clipboards, and coloring supplies

What You Do:

- Gather the kids together in a circle.
- Share with kids that prayer is a conversation they can have with God anytime, anywhere, about anything!
- Explain that there are different ways that we can spend time talking to God.
- Read each card from the “Prayer Stations” Activity Page with the kids to show them ways they can talk to God:
 - **Doodle Your Prayers:** You can use paper and markers to draw a prayer or just doodle while you talk to God. You can draw shapes, colors, or pictures—anything that reminds you of God’s love!
 - **Sing Worship Songs:** You can sing or play music as a way to talk to God.
 - **Pray Silently or Aloud:** You can find a quiet spot, close your eyes, and pray in your heart. Thank God or ask for help. You can also talk to God out loud anytime, just like a you would a friend! Tell Him about your day, ask for help, or thank Him.
 - **Write a Letter to God:** You can write to God like you would write to a friend—thank Him, ask for help, or tell Him what’s on your heart. Use the paper and pencils, and decorate your letter if you want!
- Give each kid a piece of paper, a clipboard, and a pencil.
- Set out the coloring supplies.
- Invite the kids to talk to God by doodling a prayer or writing a letter to God.
- After a few minutes, close the group in prayer.
- Encourage the kids to talk to God this week using one of the Prayer Station methods.
- Close your group in prayer.

What You Say:

*“Dear God, thank You for loving us more than we could ever imagine! Thank You for always listening to our prayers when we worship, when we speak to You, and when we write or doodle to You too. The fact that You can listen to all of our prayers at the same time reminds me just how amazing You truly are. As we head into a new week, please guide us through Your Spirit to live like Jesus in the world around us. Help us to be bold and **[Bottom Line] pray for one another** this week. Thank You for letting us be a part of Your big story! We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”*

As adults arrive to pick up, encourage the kids to tell the adults who they are going to pray for this week! Encourage families to be on the lookout for people in their path who may need encouragement this week and be ready to pray for them.