

**Upper Elementary
Large Group**

AUGUST 2025



This month kicks off our year-long journey through the Bible as we look at God's Big Story. Every story has a beginning. As we explore Creation, the Fall and other pivotal moments in the origin of our faith, kids will discover that not only did God create everything, but even after people chose to go their own way, God had a plan to restore us.

We can see how God faithfully began to fulfill that plan in Abram's call and in the lives of Jacob and Joseph—and we look forward to the fulfillment of that plan in Jesus. When kids see how God has worked in the past, they can grow in faith that our faithful God continues to work in and through each person who chooses to follow Jesus.

In the origin stories of our faith, we discover that God loves us more deeply than we can imagine. From the beginning, God had a plan to restore us to relationship with Him by sending Jesus. And because God fulfilled that promise, we can trust God with our whole lives.

Notes

- Yellow highlighted text are cues for audio and visual slides.
- Game, Worship, and the Bible verse from the stage
- Intro and Bible story are on video.

GAME/STORY SUPPLIES

- Bible

WORSHIP

- What God Made
- King of the Jungle



Today's Bible Story

Creation and the Fall Genesis 1–2:3, 3 Romans 5:8

Bottom Line

You can trust God no matter what.

Memory Verse

**Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see.
Hebrews 11:1 (NIRV)**



Inclusive Pro Tips

Loud sounds, bright lights, and large groups can be overwhelming or overstimulating for some children. To create a more inclusive large group experience, consider offering adaptive tools like noise-canceling headphones, sunglasses, sensory-friendly items, or access to modified spaces

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Week 4

OPENER

(Welcome kids)

Hello, my friends! It's another great day at Flatirons Kids. I'm so glad that you're here today! This month we're in our series 'Origin Story,' where we're talking about how we can have faith in God because of what He has done. But before we get started, I wanted to play a game!

GAME TIME

So our theme is all about superheroes and I thought I would ask you what type of superhero you would be. So let's play "Would You Rather: Superhero Edition"!

Show Slide: WYR Superhero Edition

I'll ask you a question and you move to the side of the room to choose your answer. Let's play!

Show Slides: WYR 1-10 Superhero Edition

That was fun! You all would make excellent superheroes. Now let's get ready to worship!

WORSHIP

One of the ways we worship is by giving praise and honor to God by singing and dancing. Now, is your time to jump in and give all you've got as we worship! You can follow along to the moves or worship in your own way. Let's sing!

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

Show Worship Song: Jesus is My Superhero

Show Worship Song: Beautiful

Show Worship Song: Lions

Thanks everyone! I love worshipping God with all of you. Let's go ahead and sit down and get ready for our Bible Story today.

INTRO

Show Series Graphic: Origin Story

Remember, we're doing something SUPER-awesome over this school year. We're going to be going through the story of the ENTIRE Bible together. (Hold up Bible) Today, we'll look at another story in the book of Genesis—that's the very first book of the Bible. d twins, Jacob and Esau. Our story today starts with twins named Jacob and Esau. Let's check it out!

BIBLE TRUTH

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APPLICATION

Show Series Graphic: Origin Story

Jacob made many mistakes during his life and didn't always trust God. But God was still with Jacob just like He promised. God was faithful, even when Jacob wasn't. Here's what we need to remember today:

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[Bottom line] You can trust that God is with you. Say that with me! (Repeat with leaders and kids)

Jacob chose to trust when he actually got to see God in a dream. But we don't have to see God with our eyes to have faith that God is with us. Because faith is trusting what you can't see because of what you can see.

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Faith means trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see.

Faith can be kind of a hard thing to learn about, because it means trusting in Jesus, even when we can't see Him. This is what the Bible has to say about it.

Show Verse: Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

“Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see.” Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

Let's say it together! (Repeat with leaders and kids)

Today, we can trust God because we have the privilege of reading the Bible and seeing how God has been at work throughout history.

So God is always, always, always with you! He is closer than close. So that is something you can trust—that God is always, always with you. That might be a brand-new idea to some of you, and that's okay!

So as you go to your small groups, ask yourself this question:

SLIDE: Wk4 Conversation Starter

“What helps you remember that God is with you?” It could be that when you talk to other people who believe in Jesus, you can remember that God is with you. Maybe it's remembering a promise God made to you in the Bible that He is with you. Take time to pause this week and ask God to help you remember that He is with you. Let's go ahead and pray to God now!

PRAYER

Dear God, thank You for this story, which shows how faithful You are. When we feel like we can't see You, help us know that You are with us. Teach us to live every moment that You are with us. Thank You for loving us so much. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

SMALL GROUPS

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(Dismiss kids to their small groups)