



## ELEMENTARY OCTOBER WEEK 2

### 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

- **SUPER WONDERFUL**
- **PRAISE**



### Today's Bible Story **Joshua and the Spies**

Numbers 13-14

#### Bottom Line

**God can give you  
courage when others  
are afraid.**

#### Memory Verse

**"It is for freedom  
Christ has set us free."**

**Galatians 5:1**

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**OPENER**

(Welcome kids)

Hi everyone! Welcome to Flatirons Kids! I'm so excited to see you here today!

**Show Series Graphic: BE FREE**

This month, we're talking about living FREE and the courage it takes to live freely following Jesus!

Courage is when God helps you to be brave enough to do hard things. Sometimes we face things in our lives that we just don't feel big enough for, and we can feel scared. Fear can feel like chains wrapped tight around us that stop us from moving. But when we trust God, he breaks us free from the chains and gives us the courage to do hard things! Our good God goes with us through all things!

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**GAME TIME**

**Game: Wilderness Showdown**

**The 3 Motions:**

1. **Walk** – March in place like you're on a long journey.
2. **Eat** – Pretend to scoop food and take big bites.
3. **Camp** – Crouch low and form a "tent" over your head with your arms.

**What Beats What:**

- **Walk** beats **Eat** (We gotta move to our next spot!)
- **Eat** beats **Camp** (Those campers slept through dinner!)
- **Camp** beats **Walk** (It's time to rest!)

## How to Play:

1. All kids face the stage and yell together: “3, 2, 1—Go!”
2. **On “Go!” Kids and the Host choose** and act out *Walk, Eat, or Camp* and FREEZE!
3. Compare motions:
  - a. If kids’ motion **beats** the host’s, they **stay in**.
  - b. If the host’s motion **beats** theirs, they **sit down**.
  - c. If it’s a tie, **everyone stays** for the next round.
4. Play multiple rounds until only a few remain or restart when many are out.

**Say:** Thanks so much for playing that Wilderness Showdown with me... This week we’re going to learn about the next part in the story of God’s people where they had to trust God while walking through the wilderness for a *long* time... but before we hear more about this story, let’s worship!

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## 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: SUPER WONDERFUL**

**Show Worship Song: PRAISE**

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.

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## INTRO

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We're going through the entire Bible to learn more about God. **(Hold up Bible)** One of the reasons God gave us the Bible is so we can get to know Him.

We're continuing our journey through the Bible today in the book of Numbers. That's the fourth book of the Bible. This book of the Bible is called Numbers because it talks about counting God's people as they were traveling. They were out of Egypt and on their way to the land God promised them—the Promised Land! But they had to journey through the wilderness to get there. Let's check out our video!

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## BIBLE TRUTH

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## APPLICATION

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The people were really scared. God wanted them to go into the Promised Land and take it over. Even though they were facing the same tough things as the other spies—there really were powerful giants in the land— Joshua and Caleb chose to focus on God. Their view of Him got bigger, and their fears got smaller. They trusted God, and He gave them the courage to face the tough things. Joshua and Caleb showed us something so important:

**Show Graphic: WK2\_Bottom Line**

***[BOTTOM LINE]* God can give you courage when others are afraid!**

When we follow Jesus, God gives us His Holy Spirit to live inside us. The Holy Spirit helps us be brave and gives us the courage we need, right when we need it. God is always with us. He goes with us through everything, and He will help us! He is closer than close, and we go through everything with Him. We never go through anything alone.

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**Courage is when God helps you to be brave enough to do hard things.**

When you're in a situation and maybe others are afraid, remember that God is with you and He is the strongest! Remember you can ask God, through His Spirit, to give YOU the courage to trust Him, to do the right thing, and to help others be brave too!

This month's memory verse reminds us of that truth:

**Show Verse: Galatians 5:1**

**“It is for freedom Christ has set us free,”**

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

We are free to lean into God’s strength. Let’s pray and then head to small groups to talk more about the courage and freedom we have in following Jesus!

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**PRAYER**

Dear God, thank You for the story of Joshua and Caleb and the courage they showed because they remembered that You were with them and You are stronger than anything. Sometimes it’s easy to listen to fear, especially when others around us are afraid. Please help us to remember You are with us and You are stronger than anything! Through Your Spirit inside of us, give us the courage to trust You, to be brave, and to stand up for what’s right, even when it’s hard. Help us live like Joshua and Caleb, knowing You are with us and You are the strongest. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.

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**SMALL GROUPS**

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**(Dismiss kids to their small groups)**