



UPPER ELEMENTARY

NOVEMBER WEEK 4

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

- Exploding Turkeys

WORSHIP

- Praise
- Alive



Today's Bible Story

Esther

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Conversation Starter

When has someone stood up for you?

Bottom Line

God can help you stand up for others.

Memory Verse

"Those who trust in the LORD will receive new strength. They will fly as high as eagles. They will run and not get tired. They will walk and not grow weak."

Isaiah 40:31 (NirV)

WELCOME

(Welcome kids)

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

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All month, we're exploring what it means to build on a firm foundation with Bedrock: Building confidence in God, block by block. You've got to be on solid ground if you want to be able to stand tall and strong, as we'll see in today's story.

But before we jump into our Bible lesson, let's play a game!

GAME TIME

It's almost time to celebrate Thanksgiving, so let play Exploding Turkeys!

Game: Exploding Turkeys

Show Game Video: Title Exploding Turkeys

Show Game Video: Instructions

During each round, you will move to a corner of the room. If your turkey explodes, you are out, so you can sit down. If your turkey survives, move to a new corner for another round. Last one standing wins!

Show Game Videos: 1-15

That was so fun! Thanks for playing everyone!

But before we talk about our Bible Story today, let's praise and worship the God who put us where we are for this exact right time and then goes with us through everything we face!

WORSHIP

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

Show Worship: 2 Songs

Great work, 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

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Remember, we are doing something amazing we're doing this year! We're going through the story of the entire Bible together! part of the reason God gave us the Bible is so we can get to know Him. He wants us to be His friends! So we're going to go through the entire Bible this year so we can get to know God!

(HOLD UP BIBLE.) Today, we have a story that covers the ENTIRE book of Esther! Let's check it out!

BIBLE TRUTH

Show Video: Video_WK 4 So&So Show

APPLICATION

Show Series Graphic: Bedrock!

Esther wasn't anyone important, until God made a way for her to become queen. Because of that, Esther was able to stand up for her people when the time came. Mordecai helped her realize that God had put her exactly where she was to help her people! And so she did. In Esther's story, we see that ...

Show Graphic: WK 4_Bottom Line

***[BOTTOM LINE]* God can help you stand up for others.**

Say that with me! **(Repeat with leaders and kids)**

Esther saw that God had placed her exactly where she was to help her people! "And while you may not be in a palace, you are exactly where God wants you—on your team, in your family, in your class, at your church—to show your world His ways. God might want you to stand up for others, like Esther did!

Maybe kids at school are saying mean things about one of your classmates. Or your coach calls out a teammate for cheating, when you saw they didn't do it. It might even be that you see no one understands the math assignment, so you choose to be the one to speak up and ask the teacher to explain it again for everyone.

Confidence is living like you believe God is with you.

You don't have to stand up for others on your own! God wants to help you! When you choose to follow Jesus, God sends the Holy Spirit to live inside you. God's very Spirit will help you to live like Jesus and help you remember that God is always right there with you.

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

Show Verse: Isaiah 40:31

“Those who trust in the LORD will receive new strength. They will fly as high as eagles. They will run and not get tired. They will walk and not grow weak.”

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

As you go to your small groups, really think about this question:

SLIDE: Wk 4 Conversation Starter

When has someone stood up for you? How did it feel when someone stood up for you? You can make someone feel the same way by standing up for them! Let's pray and ask God to help us stand up for others.

PRAYER

God, thank You for giving Esther the confidence to stand up for her people. Thank You for being with us, giving us what we need to stand up for others too. Help us trust You and reflect Your love, even when it's tough. We love You and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

SMALL GROUPS

Show Graphic: Small Group

(Dismiss kids to their small groups)