

ELEMENTARY

MARCH 2026

WEEK 2

Notes

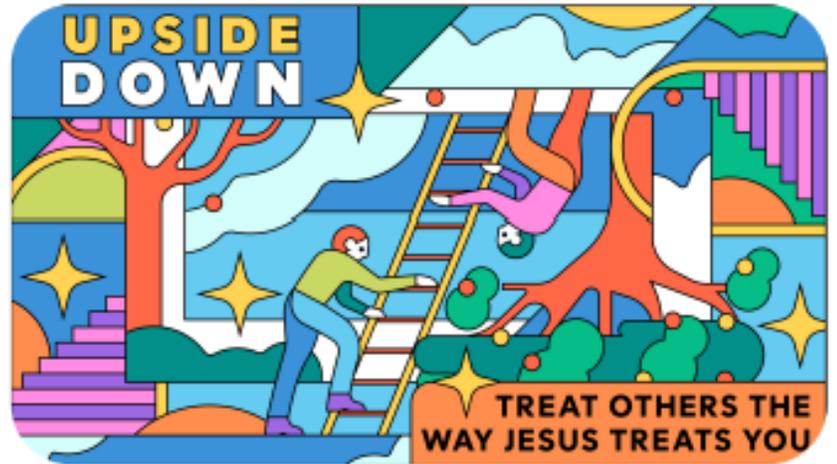
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GAME/STORY SUPPLIES

- Giant Dice

WORSHIP

- That's Who I Praise
- Praise



Bible Story

A Roman Commander Has Faith • *Matthew 8:5-13*

Conversation Starter

How do you show that God is important?

Bottom Line

Remember God is most important.

Monthly Memory Verse

Don't do anything only to get ahead. Don't do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value others more than yourselves. • *Philippians 2:3 NIV*

**Lower Elementary
Large Group**

**March 2026
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WEEK 2: LOWER ELEMENTARY (65 MIN. SERVICE)

WELCOME

(5:15pm // 9:15am // 11:15am)

PLAY: 2 Minute Countdown to dismiss from Small Groups to Large Group

As kids are coming in from small group, high five, walk around room, and welcome them!

WELCOME IN Flatirons Kids! I'm so glad YOU are here today.

While we wait for the rest of our small groups to come on in, I have a question for you to answer in your small groups...

Would you rather go 30 days without the internet OR 30 days without a shower...

Some of you I'm scared to hear what your answer is, and may be getting some room spray for this room next week... BUT, talk about it with your small group and I want to hear your answers here in just a few minutes!

As kids are answering in their small groups, welcome in the rest of the groups coming in and give them the question! Walk around and find a few people to answer.

Show Series Graphic: UPSIDE DOWN

So for those of you who chose 30 days without a shower.... I'm a little scared for the smell this room might have... NOW on a completely unrelated note because we love random silly questions that get us talking...

We are in the second week of our series UPSIDE DOWN.

Basically, we're learning all about how Jesus calls us to live life a *little differently*, a little, well UPSIDE DOWN, from the world. Does anyone remember what we talked about last weekend? *Look around the room for some hands and use the mic to hear their answers!*

ANSWER: Jesus must INCREASE, I must DECREASE.

YES! We learned all about pointing people to JESUS instead of ourselves. Which is totally upside down from the way the world works. Our world posts videos, pictures, and basically makes *everything* about THEM instead of Jesus.

Today, we're continuing to learn more about how Jesus calls us to live as followers of HIM!

But first, we're going to play a SUPER FUN game, because Jesus is FUN, that I like to play called...

GAME: FOUR CORNERS
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Show FOUR CORNERS Slide

FOUR CORNERS.

Yes, yes, I know this is a crowd favorite. BUT, this is FLATIRONS KIDS edition.

So, the twist is that I will not be choosing the corner that is eliminated, but INSTEAD...

REVEAL THE DICE

THE DICE OF DOOM WILL DECIDE.

So, here's how to play...

HOW TO PLAY:

- Label each corner of the room a number 1-4
- Give kids 10 seconds to run and find a corner
- Once 10 seconds is UP, roll the DICE OF DOOM, and whichever number the dice rolls on is OUT and everyone at that corner must sit down in the center of the room

Note: If you roll a 5 or a 6 roll again!

- Continue as many rounds as time allows!

Show Series Graphic: UPSIDE DOWN

Ok, now THAT was fun. And now it's time for something even MORE fun that we do every week together...
WORSHIP!

WORSHIP

(5:28pm // 9:28am // 11:28am)

WORSHIP INTRO: Does anyone ever have a hard time praying or talking to God? Me too!

What I love about worship is it's actually just talking to God through song, and helps give us words when sometimes we may not have the words to say.

So, let's all stand together and let me hear your voices as we worship God together!

Play: THAT'S WHO I PRAISE

Play: PRAISE

Show Series Graphic: UPSIDE DOWN

I love worshipping with you guys, and God loves it EVEN MORE. Let's take a seat and get ready for our bible story together.

INTRO

(5:36pm // 9:36am // 11:36am)

Before we get into our bible story for today, I have a question for you guys...

Has anyone ever tried to carry a bunch of things from the car inside, only for EVERYTHING to fall out of your hands? *Mimic holding a BUNCH of stuff with your arms looking full.*

Or ever tried to take ALL the dishes to the sink only for them all to come falling down?

Ok, same. And you may be wondering, what in the WORLD does this have to do with today's bible story?

Sometimes, we try to do things all by ourselves that we simply CAN'T do – we need help. We're about to learn about the story of a man who KNEW God was the only one who could help him. He KNEW that GOD was the most important, and most powerful, and he couldn't do what he needed to do without him.

BIBLE NAVIGATION TIME FROM STAGE: (HOLD UP BIBLE.) This story is found in the Book of MATTHEW, which is in the New Testament (*Flip to the book of MATTHEW in your bible on stage*). If you have your bibles, let's open those together now! *Point out and celebrate any kids you see who brought their bible!*

Now, we're going to Chapter 8 the BIG number 8. Nice job!

Let's keep our bibles open, and learn *more* about our story for today.

BIBLE STORY

(5:38pm // 9:38am // 11:38am)

Show Video: Video_WK2 StoryLab

APPLICATION

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The Roman commander had such FAITH, because he didn't just believe Jesus could help, He KNEW He had power over EVERYTHING, and could heal his servant.

The Roman commander recognized that JESUS was KING over everything, and he couldn't do this without him. He NEEDED Jesus!

Share personal story of when YOU recognized that you couldn't do something *without* Jesus.

When we acknowledge our need for Jesus, and that we can't do it on our own, we recognize that God is MOST important, and has power over EVERYTHING in our lives, even, and especially, when it feels out of control in our own hands.

That brings us to our bottom line for today...

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[BOTTOM LINE] Remember God is MOST important.

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

And our memory verse for this month reminds us to be *humble* because GOD is most important!

Show Verse: Philippians 2:3

“Don't do anything only to get ahead. 'Don't do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value other more than yourselves'.” Philippians 2:3

Let's say that all together. ***Repeat several times with kids and leaders.***

Before we head to our small groups to learn more about how to remember that God is most important, and over everything, I'd love for someone to pray for us! Anyone want to be brave and pray for our group?

PRAYER

(5:52pm // 9:52am // 11:52am)

HAVE A KID PRAY!

SMALL GROUPS

(5:53pm // 9:53am // 11:43pm)

(Dismiss kids to their small groups)

PLAY: Small Group Loop