

**WEEKEND WORD:**

THANK YOU for leading so well as we near the end of our year-long journey through God's Big Story! This May, we get to show kids two massive truths: we are living in God's story *right now*, and ultimately, God will make everything right. As we prepare for our big Move Up transitions next month, let's not lose our momentum. Let's finish this Trek strong, rely on the Holy Spirit, and give our kids your absolute best!

**PRO TIP:**

- Kids want to know that YOU are JUST like them. As a church, "ME TOO" is our anthem. Use this to connect with our kids and show them that they are not alone!

**SCRIPT KEY:**

- **Yellow highlighted text** are cues for audio and visual slides.
- *Red text is for nonverbal cues*

**GAME/STORY SUPPLIES**

- Slides

**WORSHIP**

- So So Good
- Praise

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Large Group**

**May 2026  
Week 2**

## **WEEK 2: 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE (66 IN. SERVICE)**

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### **WELCOME**

**(5:10pm // 9:10am // 11:10am)**

#### **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! 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 with the person next to you...

***If you got to be the principal or the teacher for the whole day, what is the ONE subject you would make everyone learn about? Would it be recess and PE all day? Would it be math, art, or reading?***

Talk about it with the person next to you and I'll ask a few of you to answer in just a second!

*As kids are answering with the person next to them, welcome in the rest of the kids coming in and give them the question! Walk around and find a few people to answer.*

#### **Show Series Graphic: TREK**

Ok, those are some pretty solid answers! If I were the principal for the day, mine would probably have to be [share your answer—maybe an extended lunch period where everyone just gets to hang out!].

Today, we are continuing our series called **Trek!** Last week we talked about what to do when things get hard. But this week, we are talking about what happens when things get CONFUSING.

You guys are 5th graders now. You are dealing with bigger things, and naturally, you are going to have bigger questions. Sometimes, when we are reading the Bible or trying to figure out what it means to follow Jesus, we might hit something that just doesn't make sense. We might have a ton of questions. And honestly, having questions can sometimes make us feel stuck, or like we're doing something wrong. BUT here is the truth: having questions is actually a really GOOD thing!

We are going to look at a true story about a guy named Philip and a very important, powerful man from Ethiopia. This guy was reading God's word, and he had some massive questions. But he didn't just close the scroll and quit. He asked for help. And Philip helped him see that we can KEEP FOLLOWING God, even when we have questions.

Now, you might be wondering... what exactly was he reading? And what were his questions? We're going to dive into all of that in just a few minutes. But FIRST, before we continue our Trek...

We need to get some energy in the room! You guys are the oldest ones in here, so I need you to set the tone and lead the way. It's time to play a game!

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**GAME: GAME TITLE**  
**(5:15pm // 9:15am // 11:15am)**

**Game: Unscramble**

**Show Unscramble Slide**

**Alright, is everyone ready?! (Wait for them to yell) I said, IS EVERYONE READY?!** Today, we are playing a game called **Unscramble: Bible Edition!** Remember how we just talked about how sometimes things can be super confusing? Well, today, we are going to put some words on the screen, but the letters are going to be totally mixed up and scrambled! They aren't going to make any sense at all.

Your mission is to work with your Small Group to figure out the real word before time runs out. Here are your three rules for the game:

**HOW TO PLAY:**

- **Rule #1: Look at the screen!** A scrambled Bible word will pop up. It might look like nonsense, but it's a real word!
- **Rule#2: Whisper to your team!** You have exactly 15 seconds to figure out the word with your Small Group. But SHHH... you have to whisper your guess to your Small Group Leader! If you yell it out, the other groups will steal your answer!
- **Rule #3: Write it down!** Your Small Group Leader has a whiteboard and a marker. Once your group agrees on the answer, your leader will write it down. When the 15-second timer hits ZERO, every leader must hold their whiteboard up high in the air!

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Now THAT was fun. Now, it's time for one of my FAVORITE parts of being here at Flatirons Kids... worship!

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**WORSHIP**  
**(5:23pm // 9:23am // 11:23am)**

**WORSHIP INTRO:** Alright, everybody! Now it's time to stay on our feet and WORSHIP together! Last week, we learned a brand new song called **So, So Good**, and you guys sang it with so much energy!

Let's test your memory really quick. Who remembers our special call-back from last week? Let's see if you've still got it. When I say, '**God is Good**,' you shout... *(Wait for them to yell: All the Time!)*

Yes! And when I say, '**All the Time**,' you shout... *(Wait for them to yell: God is Good!)*

You guys are pros! Remember, even when things get hard or confusing, we can keep going because God is still so, so good to us. Let's use our voices and sing this as LOUD as we can! Let's worship!"

**Play: So, So Good**

**Play: Praise**

**Show Series Graphic: TREK**

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.

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### INTRO

**(5:31pm // 9:31am // 11:31am)**

Welcome back to our series called **TREK!** Remember, a trek is a really long journey. And sometimes on a long journey, things don't just get hard... sometimes they get super confusing! You might feel stuck and have a ton of questions. But this month, we are learning that we can keep going and NOT give up, because God is always with us!

Our true story today is all about choosing to keep following God even when we have questions, and it's about a follower of Jesus named Philip and a very important man from Ethiopia.

**BIBLE NAVIGATION TIME FROM STAGE:** *(HOLD UP BIBLE.)* Just like last week, our story is found in the book of **Acts**, which is in the New Testament *(Flip to the book 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 let's check out our story for today!

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## BIBLE STORY

(5:33pm // 9:33am // 11:33am)

**Show Video: Video\_WK2 So&So Show**

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## APPLICATION

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**Show Series Graphic: TREK**

So, what does this have to do with YOU?

Think about the Ethiopian official. He was a smart, powerful guy reading God's word, but he hit a wall. It didn't make sense, and he had some major questions. But he didn't just close the scroll, fake it, or walk away. He didn't quit!

Instead, he admitted what he didn't know and asked Philip to help him understand. And because he asked, he got to hear the amazing truth about Jesus.

Here is the deal for you guys: You can do the exact same thing. In fact, God actually *wants* your big questions! Especially right now. In just a few weeks, you guys are transitioning out of elementary. You are stepping into a new chapter, and it is completely normal to have bigger, tougher questions about your faith, the Bible, or how Jesus fits into your life.

You don't have to figure it all out alone. You have your Small Group Leaders, your parents, and the Holy Spirit right here to help you navigate it.

So, when you are reading your Bible or you hit something about God that makes you feel stuck... don't just check out or quit on your Trek. Be bold enough to speak up and ask your questions!

And that leads us right to our Bottom Line for today..."

**Show Graphic: WK2\_Bottom Line**

**[BOTTOM LINE]** Keep following God even if you have questions

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

That brings us to our memory verse for this month...

**Show Verse: Galatians 6:9**

***“Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don’t give up.” - Galatians 6:9 NIV***

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

**Show Graphic: WK2\_Conversation Starter**

Now as we head into our small groups, I want you to be thinking about THIS question...

**What questions do you have about God?**

Before we head to our small groups to learn more about this, I'd love for someone to pray for us! Anyone want to pray for our group?

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**PRAYER**

**(5:47pm // 9:47am // 11:47am)**

HAVE A KID PRAY!

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**SMALL GROUPS**

**(5:48pm // 9:48am // 11:48pm)**

*(Dismiss kids to their small groups)* **PLAY: SMALL GROUP LOOP**