

**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

**5th Grade
Large Group**

**May 2026
Week 3**

WEEK 3: 5TH GRADE (66 MIN. SERVICE)

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 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...

If you could shrink down to the size of a tiny bug for one day, what normal thing in your house or backyard would suddenly look completely different and amazing?

Talk about it with your small group and I'll ask a few of you to answer in just a second!

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: TREK

Okay, I heard some amazing answers! Imagine looking at a regular blade of grass and suddenly it looks like a giant, towering tree! It is crazy how just changing the way you look at something changes everything!

Well, today we are going to look at a true story from the Bible about a man named Paul. For a long time, Paul thought he knew exactly how the world worked. He thought he was looking at everything the right way. But then, something completely mind-blowing happened on his Trek! God stepped in and helped Paul see things in a totally NEW way. It was the biggest turnaround ever!

But hey, before we get into that, we're going to play a game, because Jesus is FUN, so Church is FUN...

GAME: CHIHUAHUA MUFFIN

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

Game: CHIHUAHUA MUFFIN

Show CHIHUAHUA MUFFIN Slide

Alright everyone, stand up on your feet!

Today we are talking all about how we see things, and how God can help us see things in a totally NEW way. So, to test out your eyes right now, we are going to play a hilarious game called **Chihuahua or Muffin!**

Sometimes, when things are blurry or confusing, they aren't exactly what they seem. So, here is how we play:

HOW TO PLAY:

- Look at the screen. You are going to see a super blurry picture.
- Pick your side! You have to decide what you are looking at. If you think it's a Chihuahua, you are going to move to THIS side of the room! (Point boldly to the left side). But, if you think it's a yummy chocolate chip Muffin, you need to move to THAT side of the room! (Point boldly to the right side).
- Lock it in! I am going to count down from 5, and you have to be standing on your final side before I hit zero! No switching at the last second!

Show Series Graphic: TREK

Now THAT was fun. I hope you guys had as much fun as I did. Now, before it's time for one of my FAVORITE parts of being here at Flatirons Kids...we have a very special announcement we want to make! Check out this video!

ANNOUNCEMENT – RALLY JR

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

Show RALLY JR – PROMO Video

Show RALLY JR – GRAPHIC

Okay, how hilarious was that?! Guys, I am SO excited! Rally Jr. is coming up, and it is going to be the absolute BEST night ever!

Think of it like our normal time together, but turned ALL THE WAY UP! We are talking massive games, hilarious skits, awesome worship, and learning about how much Jesus loves us.

And here is the absolute best part—we are even having dinner together, and the whole entire night is totally **FREE!**

Because it's going to be so much fun, it is the perfect time to invite people! Think about your best friends from school, your teammates, or your neighbors. Invite them to come hang out with us!

So, here is your homework: when your parents pick you up today, I want you to look at them and say, '*I HAVE to go to Rally Jr!*' Make sure they get you signed up, because you and your friends are NOT going to want to miss this!

WORSHIP

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

WORSHIP INTRO: Alright, everybody! Get up on your feet because now it's time to WORSHIP together! We are going to sing our Trek series song called **So, So Good**, and I want to hear you singing it even louder than last week!

Let's do a quick check to see if you remember our special call-back. Are you ready? 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 sound amazing! Remember, whether we are having a great day or we need God to help us see things in a totally NEW way, we can always praise Him because He is so, so good to us. Let's use our voices, jump on our feet, 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.

INTRO

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

"Welcome back to our series, **TREK!** As you guys know, a trek is a long journey. And here is the thing about long journeys: sometimes you start out thinking you know *exactly* where you are going. You think you have the whole route figured out. But then... you hit a massive plot twist. God steps in and helps you see things in a totally **NEW** way. We are learning that even when our plans get changed or flipped upside down, we can keep moving forward. We don't have to quit, because God is always with us!

Our true story today is the ultimate example of a plot twist. It is about a guy named Paul, and God completely wrecked his original plans and flipped his journey upside down. Paul did a total 180.

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 brought your Bible today, go ahead and open it up right now! (*Acknowledge and hype up the 4th/5th graders you see who brought their Bibles!*)

Alright, we are flipping to Chapter **9**. Once you find it, keep your Bibles open, and let's dive into today's story!"

BIBLE STORY

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

Show Video: Video_WK3 So&So Show

APPLICATION

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

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So, why does Paul's story actually matter for you guys?

Think about Paul for a second. He was 100% convinced he was the good guy. He thought he had it all figured out, to the point where he actually thought he was doing God a favor by hunting down Jesus' followers! But when Jesus stopped him in his tracks, Paul didn't double down or get defensive. He let Jesus completely change his mind.

Why? Because when God stepped in, Paul realized his perspective was totally backwards. He needed Jesus to help him see the truth.

Here is the deal: God wants to do the exact same thing for you. It's really easy to get stubborn and think we have everything figured out. Maybe you've already decided a certain kid at school is just annoying,

maybe you think a rule your parents have is completely unfair, or maybe you're dealing with a situation that feels totally hopeless. But what if you're looking at it the absolute wrong way?

You don't have to stay stuck on your Trek. God loves you, and if you ask Him, the Holy Spirit will help you completely flip your perspective. He can help you see people, your problems, and your life the exact same way Jesus does!

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

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[BOTTOM LINE] *God can help you see things in a new way*

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

Now let's look at our memory verse and say it all together!

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: WK3_Conversation Starter

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

When have you discovered something 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?

PRAYER

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

HAVE A KID PRAY!

SMALL GROUPS

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

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