

**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 4**

WEEK 4: 5TH GRADE (68 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 got stuck on a ship out at sea, what is the one thing you couldn't live without, and who would you want to keep you company?

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.

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Okay, I heard some amazing answers! I heard some of you say you would bring snacks, your pets, or your best friends to keep you safe and help you out!

Well, today we are going to look at a true story from the Bible about a man named Paul who actually was on a giant ship! Paul was on a crazy long Trek across the ocean when a massive, scary storm hit! The wind was blowing, the waves were huge, and they ended up totally shipwrecked and stranded on an island!

It was a super wild journey! But even in the middle of that giant, scary storm, Paul knew he didn't have to be afraid. He knew that even when our Trek gets hard or confusing, God is ALWAYS with us to help us keep going!

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

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

Game: PoopDeck

Show PoopDeck Slide

Alright everyone, jump up on your feet!

Since we are talking about being on a giant ship today, we are going to play a game to see who the fastest sailors in the room are!

Here is how it works: We have divided our room into three different parts of a ship. Over here is the Main Deck (Point to the middle). Over there is the Quarter Deck (Point to one side). And on this side is... the Poop Deck! (Point to the other side and let them giggle).

I am going to be the Captain! When I call out one of those decks, you have to safely run over to that area as fast as you can. But watch out—the last few people to make it across the room are OUT and have to sit down!

We are going to keep calling out decks until we only have one ultimate sailor left standing! Are you ready? Listen closely... GO TO THE..."

HOW TO PLAY:

- When the Host calls out an area, you must run over to it.
- The last players to reach the area are out of the game.
- If you are the last player standing at the end, you win!

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Now THAT was fun. I hope you guys had as much fun as I did. Now, it's time for one of my FAVORITE parts of being here at Flatirons Kids... worship!

ANNOUNCEMENT – RALLY JR
(5:23pm // 9:23am // 11:23am)

Show RALLY JR – GRAPHIC

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, '*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

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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 called TREK! Remember, a trek is a really long journey. And sometimes on a long journey, things don't go exactly the way we planned. In fact, sometimes things can get really wild

and even a little bit scary! But no matter what happens, we are learning that we can keep going and NOT give up, because God is always with us!

Our true story today is about our friend Paul again. Last week, we learned how God completely changed his life. Well, today, Paul is on an actual, physical trek across the ocean, and his ship gets caught in a massive, crazy storm!

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 27, the BIG number 2 and 7. Nice job! Let's keep our Bibles open, and let's check out our story for today about Paul's crazy shipwreck!

BIBLE STORY

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

Show Video: Video_WK4 So&So Show

APPLICATION

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

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So, what does this have to do with YOU?

Well, think about Paul. He was on that ship, going exactly where he was supposed to go, and suddenly a massive, scary storm hit! The ship was getting completely smashed by the waves, they were stranded, and everything seemed to be going totally wrong. But guess what? Even when it was dark and terrifying, Paul didn't panic, and he didn't quit.

Why? Because Paul knew that even in the middle of a giant storm, God was still with him. He trusted that God was right there on that sinking ship, protecting him and keeping His promises!

And here is the truth for YOU! Sometimes on your Trek, things are going to go wrong. Maybe you practiced really hard but didn't make the sports team, maybe a friend is being super mean to you at school, or maybe someone in your family is sick. When bad things happen, it can feel really scary and overwhelming, just like being caught in a giant storm.

But you don't have to stay stuck in the scary stuff all by yourself! God loves you so much, and He promises to be right there with you through the really hard times. You can talk to Him, you can ask your leaders or parents for help, and you can trust that God is always good.

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

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[BOTTOM LINE] Don't Give Up On God When Bad Things Happen

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.*

Before we head to our small groups to learn more about this, I'd love for someone to pray for us! Anyone want to be brave and 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**