

**WEEKEND WORD:**

As we dive into our "Kingdom Quest" parables this month, remember that every time you welcome and care for a kid, you are planting tiny mustard seeds that God will grow into a massive, lifelong faith! You aren't just hosting a room; you are actively showing these kids the ultimate hidden treasure of how much Jesus loves them and wants them in His Kingdom. Thank you for your passion and for inviting our kids into the greatest story ever told!

PRO TIP:

- *Since we are diving into Jesus' parables this month, practice using your voice as a storytelling tool. If the room is getting wiggly, try dropping your voice to an exciting, intense whisper instead of just getting louder—it instantly makes kids lean in to hear what happens next!*

SCRIPT KEY:

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

GAME/STORY SUPPLIES

- Act It Out - Slides

WORSHIP

- Alive

- Goodbye Yesterday

**Upper Elementary
Large Group**

**June 2026
Week 4**

WEEK 4: UPPER ELEMENTARY (63 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 am so glad YOU are here hanging out with us today!

While we wait for the rest of our small groups to come on in, I have a crazy treasure-hunting question for you to answer with your small group...

If you were digging in your backyard and accidentally hit a giant, hidden treasure chest, what is the absolute best thing you could possibly find inside?

Talk about it with your small group right now, and I'm going to call on a few of you to share your answers in just a second! Ready? Go!

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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I love those answers! Finding a massive treasure chest buried in the dirt would be the ultimate summer discovery.

Well, today we are officially in Week 4 of Kingdom Quest, and Jesus is telling a story about two different guys who stumble upon the greatest, most valuable treasures they have ever seen. They realize this hidden treasure is worth more than anything else they have ever owned, and they do whatever it takes to get it. We are going to find out exactly what that treasure is, and what it has to do with YOU!

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

GAME:Ultimate Summer Dilemma
(5:15pm // 9:15am // 11:15am)

Game: ULTIMATE SUMMER DILEMMA

Show ULTIMATE SUMMER DILEMMA Slide

Alright everyone, it is game time! Today we are playing a massive, ridiculous game called Ultimate Summer Dilemma!

Here is the deal: I am going to give you a 'Would You Rather' scenario about summer, but every single option has a crazy, ridiculous twist. You have to decide which terrible or hilarious situation you would rather deal with!

Here is how we play: When I read the dilemma, you have to make a choice.

- If you choose the FIRST option, you are going to safely hustle to THIS side of the room! (Point to the left)
- If you choose the SECOND option, you are going to safely hustle to THAT side of the room! (Point to the right).

Once you get to your side, you have to be ready to defend your choice, because I might just come around with a microphone and ask you to explain yourself!

Here is the only rule: We are moving fast, but we are keeping it safe. No pushing, no shoving, and definitely no sliding on your knees.

Everybody stand up! Come gather right here in the middle of the room so we can start. (Wait for kids to gather in the center).

Alright, get your debate skills ready... here is your very first Ultimate Summer Dilemma! Would you rather...

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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!

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

WORSHIP INTRO: That game was wild! Now, before we go any further, I need everyone up on your feet because it is time for worship!

But before the music starts, I want to ask you a serious question: *Why do we actually do this?* Have you ever stood here during worship and thought, 'Why do we stop everything just to sing songs together?' Here is the truth: we don't do it just because it's a church rule, and we don't do it just to take up time. We worship as a massive, loud celebration of what Jesus has done for us. When we really think about the fact that Jesus rescued us, completely forgave every mistake we've ever made, and gave us a brand new start, our only response should be to celebrate!

That is exactly what our songs are about today. We are singing *Alive* and *Goodbye Yesterday* because Jesus has given us a reason to say goodbye to our past mistakes and live completely alive in Him.

So I want to challenge you today—don't just stand there with your hands in your pockets. Let's actually engage. Let me hear you make some noise, and let's worship

Play: ALIVE

Play: GOODBYE YESTERDAY

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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)

Awesome job, everyone! You guys can go ahead and grab a seat.

We are officially in Week 4 of our summer series, Kingdom Quest! As we've been exploring these parables, we've seen that Jesus told these stories to help us understand that God's Kingdom isn't just some boring, distant place—it is the most valuable, incredible reality we could ever be a part of.

Like I mentioned earlier, today Jesus tells two short parables about people who find something so incredibly precious that they realize it's worth more than anything else they own. But before we get into the story, let's find it in God's Word!

BIBLE NAVIGATION TIME FROM STAGE: (Hold up your Bible!) Today's story is found in the book of Matthew. Matthew is the very first book of the New Testament, and it's packed with tons of the things Jesus taught. (Open your Bible to the very beginning, then flip just a little to the right).

If you brought your Bible with you today, go ahead and hold it up high! (Acknowledge and hype up the crowd).

We are going to be in Chapter 13—look for that big number 1 and 3.

Alright, keep those Bibles open, get your focus locked in, and let's find out what these treasures are all about as we tune into this week's episode of So + So Show! Let's check the screen!

BIBLE STORY

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

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APPLICATION

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

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Think about the people in those stories we just read. They weren't looking for a treasure; they were just living their normal lives. But when they found that treasure—that pearl—it changed their entire perspective. They didn't pause to think, 'Is this worth it?' They knew instantly that this was the most valuable thing they'd ever encountered, and they gladly traded everything else to make it theirs.

That's exactly what happened in Matthew 4. Jesus walked up to Peter and Andrew, who were working their trade, and simply said, 'Follow me.' And the Bible says they left their nets immediately. They didn't finish their shift, they didn't ask for a week to think about it, and they didn't check with their friends first. They recognized that Jesus was the ultimate treasure, and their boats and nets just didn't compare.

Now, you aren't fishermen, but you definitely have 'nets.' For you, a 'net' isn't just a fishing tool—it's anything you use to secure your own life so you don't have to rely on God.

- The 'Reputation' Net: Maybe your net is worrying so much about what your friends think of you—trying to act a certain way or laugh at things you don't even find funny—just so you don't get left out.
- The 'Control' Net: Maybe your net is the need to be the one in charge of every group project or game, because you don't trust anyone else to do it as well as you can.
- The 'Comfort' Net: Or maybe your net is just staying in your bubble—only hanging out with the people you're already comfortable with and ignoring the kid who looks like they need a friend, because 'it's just easier that way.'

Those things feel like they're keeping you safe or successful, but they're actually just holding you back from the greatest adventure possible. When you realize that Jesus is the absolute greatest treasure, you start to see that following Him is worth more than having the perfect reputation, more than being in control, and more than staying comfortable.

That is the choice: are you going to keep holding onto your 'nets,' or are you going to drop them and follow the only Treasure that actually lasts forever?

And that brings us to our Bottom Line for today! Let's check the screen:

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[BOTTOM LINE] LOVING GOD AND LOVING HIS KINGDOM IS IMPORTANT

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

Now let's look at our memory verse and say it all together! Let's look at the screen. It says: **'May your kingdom come. May what you want to happen be done on earth as it is done in heaven.'** – Matthew 6:10.

When we learn this verse, we are basically telling God, 'Hey! I want to help make things down here on earth look exactly like they do up in Your perfect Kingdom!' And remember, just like that tiny mustard seed, we can do that by making small, awesome choices to love people every single day.

Show Verse: May your kingdom come. May what you want to happen be done on earth as it is done in heaven.' – Matthew 6:10.

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**