



WEEKEND WORD:

This month, we are bringing home the truth that **God is stronger than ANYONE or ANYTHING**. The kids walking into your spaces are battling all sorts of things: A diagnosis, parents going through a divorce, a bully, and so much more. **YOU** have the opportunity to bring **HOPE**, the safe place, **JESUS**.

PRO TIP:

- When leading worship, use that microphone to say things like, “put your hands up!”, “let me hear your voices!”, and so much more. You will be amazed as you watch the engagement if the room increase!

GAME/STORY SUPPLIES

- Giant Dice

WORSHIP

- WAKE
- WASHED

2nd + 3rd
Large Group

October 2026
Week 1

WEEK 1: 2ND + 3RD GRADE (65 MIN. SERVICE)

CONNECTION TIME

(4:45pm // 8:45am // 10:45am // 5:15pm)

This is your time to GREET kids, hang out with them, and build some credibility with the kids and leaders you are serving before getting on stage!

SMALL GROUPS

(5:00pm // 9:00am // 11:00am // 5:30pm)

PLAY: 5 Minute Countdown to begin cleaning up/wrapping up connection time

Alright guys, 5 MINUTES until we head to our small groups! So wrap up what you're doing, start cleaning up, and get ready to head to your small groups!

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It is OFFICIALLY time for small groups, head there now, and if you're unsure where that is, hang back and we'll help you find where you need to be!

Help any kids who look lost or may be new find their small group.

WELCOME

(5:15pm // 9:15am // 11:15am // 5:45pm)

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.

We're jumping in to a brand new month and there's lots of exciting things happening this month... I have a BIG announcement I can't wait to share with you all at the END of our time today, but as a HINT, answer THIS question with your small group...

What is your LEAST FAVORITE candy?

I'm so excited to hear your answers, but FIRST, talk about it in 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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Now you're making me hungry.... Honestly, I would take ALL the candy...

Well hey my name is *host name* and we're going to have a ton of fun AND learn an awesome truth about who God is together.

This month, we're going to be learning all about a really important part about who God is, he is a SAFE SPACE. What does that mean?

When we say God is a safe space, we mean that whenever your scared, or sad, or frusturated, or even just confused, God is ALWAYS with you and is a safe place to bring ALL your feelings.

That's good news, don't you think?

Before we learn more about *that* I think it's time we play a game... because JESUS is fun, so CHURCH is fun.

GAME: FOUR CORNERS

(5:20pm // 9:20am // 11:20am // 5:50pm)

Game: FOUR CORNERS

Play FOUR CORNERS Slide Loop

Today we're playing a Flatirons Kids FAVORITE - FOUR CORNERS

Here's how to play...

- Label 4 corners 1-4 (Corner 1, Corner 2, Corner 3, Corner 4)
- Explain that you're going to give everyone 10 seconds to choose a corner
- Once 10 seconds is up, you will roll the dice! Whichever corner it lands on LOSES that round! (If it lands on 5 or 6, re-roll!)
- All the kids in that corner must sit down in the middle of the room until a jailbreak (you decide when this is) or there is officially a winner
- Whoever is the last standing individual or group WINS!
- ***Play as many rounds as time allows***

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Now THAT was fun... but *now* it's time for something even *more* fun...

WORSHIP

(5:28pm // 9:28am // 11:28am // 5:58pm)

WORSHIP INTRO:

WORSHIP!

Did you know... God LOVES to talk to YOU.

WORSHIP is just one way to talk to God – and sometimes worship can look like dancing really crazy to show Him just how much you love him. And sometimes worship can look like raising your hands and closing your eyes as you talk to him.

However you worship, God LOVES when you talk to Him, there's no right or wrong way.

I'm so excited to praise God together - Let's stand and worship!

Make sure you're encouraging kids to sing and dance throughout the songs!

Play: WAKE

Play: WASHED

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That was so fun worshipping together and TALKING to God together.

Now let's ***take a deep breath in the mic***, and take a seat.

Before we jump into our story, let's talk to God another way, through prayer! Everyone close their eyes and pray with me. *Say a short prayer thanking God for who He is!*

INTRO

(5:36pm // 9:36am // 11:36am // 6:06pm)

TODAY we are learning about one of my very favorite stories from the bible.

Today's story is all about God doing something AMAZING and rescuing His people, even when it felt like it was impossible.

You see god's people were *really scared*. They were battling enemies that were bigger and stronger than them. BUT GOD was with them and was strong FOR them. He rescued them, even when it seemed impossible.

Has anyone here ever been scared? Or felt like a situation was just too big for them to solve on their own? *Raise your hand.*

ME TOO. This story is going to be perfect for all of us.

Let's jump into our bibles...

BIBLE NAVIGATION TIME FROM STAGE: Today's story is found in the book of JOSHUA. JOSHUA is in the OLD Testament.

Now we're going to be in chapter 6, that BIG number 6 in the book of Joshua.

Let's find out exactly what God did to save His people, and what God will do for US too... Take a look at the screens.

BIBLE STORY

(5:38pm // 9:38am // 11:38am // 6:08pm)

Show Video: Video_WK1 Storylab

APPLICATION

(5:48pm // 9:48am // 11:48am // 6:18pm)

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WOAH.

I don't know about you, but if I were the Israelites, I would have been terrified. I may have not even shown up for battle.

I mean, battling people BIGGER and STRONGER than I am?! I wouldn't stand a chance!

But because God is STRONG, I can be brave, just like the Israelites.

So, when you are facing something REALLY scary for you, – maybe that's a fear you have, like fear of the dark, or a scary roller coaster, or maybe it's a bully – you can be BRAVE because God is STRONG.

SHARE AN AGE APPROPRIATE EXAMPLE OF HOW GOD WAS STRONG WHEN YOU WERE SCARED.

So, this week, let's PRACTICE trusting God, even when things are scary, and even when it feels IMPOSSIBLE.

Our bottom line brings this home for us...

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[BOTTOM LINE] GOD IS STRONG, SO I CAN BE BRAVE.

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

Our bible verse reminds us that GOD is our SAFE PLACE.

Show Verse: "GOD IS OUR PLACE OF SAFETY. HE GIVES US STRENGTH. HE IS ALWAYS THERE TO HELP US IN TIMES OF TROUBLE." Psalm 46:1 NIrV

Let's jump up on our feet, and practice our Memory Verse all together!

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

(5:52pm // 9:52am // 11:52am // 6:22pm)

HAVE A KID PRAY!

MEGA AWESOME COSTUME PARTY ANNOUNCEMENT

(5:53pm // 9:53am // 11:53pm // 6:23pm)

PLAY: MEGA AWESOME COSTUME PARTY SLIDE

BEFORE we head to our small groups, I have a VERY important announcement.... Drumroll please *pat your hands on knees signaling a drumroll.*

In 3 WEEKS, we are having our MEGA. AWESOME. COSTUME. PARTY.

October 24-25 I want you to wear your favorite costumes and get ready for a weekend full of CANDY and a mega awesome party. I CANNOT WAIT to see you there!

And with that, you are dismissed to your small groups!

SMALL GROUPS

(5:54pm // 9:54am // 11:54pm // 6:24pm)

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