



FLAT IRONS
KIDS

FOURTH + FIFTH GRADE
OCTOBER WEEK 3 (OCT 16-17)



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:

- Change your tone based on what we're doing! Game time? Be FUN, LOUD, and have a ton of energy! Story time? Slow it down, bring that body language a little lower, and soften your voice to show the moment we're walking into. You will be amazed how the kids respond!

GAME/STORY SUPPLIES

- N/A

WORSHIP

- WAKE
- WASHED

4th + 5th
Large Group

October 2026
Week 3

WEEK 3: 4TH + 5TH (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! I'm so glad YOU are here today.

We are ONE WEEK AWAY from our MEGA AWESOME COSTUME PARTY. I hope I see ALL of you there, and to give us a sneak peek, answer this question with your small groups...

What costume are YOU wearing to the MEGA AWESOME COSTUME PARTY next week?

I'm so excited to hear your answers, but FIRST, 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 groups coming in and give them the question! Walk around and find a few people to answer.

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Ok well now I am SO excited for next week. Who's with me? *Raise your hand.*

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.

NEXT week is going to be epic, but THIS week is going to be awesome too. We're jumping into one of my favorite stories. BUT, before we jump into our story for today, I think it's time we play a game... because JESUS is fun, so CHURCH is fun.

GAME: ROCK PAPER SCISSORS SHOWDOWN

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

Game: ROCK PAPER SCISSORS SHOWDOWN

Play ROCK PAPER SCISSORS SHOWDOWN Slide Loop

We're going to play one of my favorite games... ROCK PAPER SCISSORS SHOWDOWN.

Here's how to play...

- Everyone will find a partner to play ROCK PAPER SCISSORS against
- Whoever LOSES the round, comes behind the person who beat them, putting their hands on their shoulders. They will follow them (like a human train) to find a new opponent.
- When you win, the loser adds themselves to your train. When you lose, both you and your existing train join the winner's train.
- Continue to find new partners until there is 2 giant human trains battling for the WIN!
- ***Play as many rounds as time allows***

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OK... That got INTENSE. I loved playing that game with you all, and loved seeing how weirdly good at rock paper scissors you all are...

But now it's time for something I think is even more fun than that game... WORSHIP.

WORSHIP

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

WORSHIP INTRO:

Before we 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. 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! God just loves when you come exactly as you are, and simply talk to him.

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 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)

Ok guys, today's story is SO good.

Has anyone ever been on a boat, or a cruise maybe? *Raise your hand.*

Awesome. Ok so if you've been on any kind of boat, you know that even when the water is calm, you can feel a little unstable, swaying back and forth. *Sway side to side.*

Now imagine, you're in the middle of a STORM. That little swaying turns into you falling over because the boat is rocking SO hard.

This is exactly where we pick up in today's story. Jesus' disciples are on a boat, in the middle of a STORM. Things feel scary, they are unsure of what's going to happen next, and THAT'S where Jesus comes in.

Jesus CALMS the storm, and while the story is awesome as It is, it doesn't stop there.

We're going to learn how he calms *everything* in our life, even when it feels a little unstable, and sometimes just downright scary.

Let's jump into our bibles...

BIBLE NAVIGATION TIME FROM STAGE: Today's story is found in the book of MARK. MARK is in the NEW Testament! (Open your Bible near the end!)

Now we're going to be in CHAPTER 4, the big number 4.

Now we're going to be in verse 35, the teeny tiny number 35 under that big number 4.

Let's find out exactly what Jesus did for his disciples, and what he does for us too. Take a look at the screens.

BIBLE STORY

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

Show Video: Video_WK3 So&So Show

APPLICATION

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

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Wow. Just like Jesus calmed the storm for his disciples he calms the storms in our lives.

Just like a boat in a storm, your life may feel shaky.

Things in your life may feel like they're about to tip over.

Like you don't know what's coming next.

It may just be downright scary.

Those are the storms of life that Jesus can calm. Not just the literal storm, YOUR storm, in YOUR life.

You see, what we learned in today's story is that God is always in control, even when things in our life are confusing or hard. We can trust him.

SHARE AN AGE APPROPRIATE EXAMPLE OF HOW GOD WAS IN CONTROL IN A SITUATION THAT WAS HARD.

God doesn't just do this for his disciples, and he doesn't just do this for me, he does this for you too.

That brings us to our verse, reminding us that God is always in control.

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 NIV

Now before we go to our small groups, I want us to be thinking about this question to put this into practice...

SHOW QUESTION: What is something you can trust God with right now?

Maybe it's something you've been trying to control, and need to hand it over to God. Maybe it's something you feel like there's no way it can be fixed, and need to trust God to be over it.

Before we head to our small groups to talk more about this, I'd love for someone to pray for us! Anyone want to be bold 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 REMINDER of something I am SO excited about! NEXT WEEK we are going to be having a 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**
