

Big & Strong

Gr. 1-5 Leader Outline

LESSON 1

Big Idea: I can be royal like King David when I love God with my whole heart.

Story: David's Prayers

Biblical Text: 1 Chronicles 29:10-14, 2 Samuel 7:18-22, Psalm 118:21, Psalm 16:7-8

Verse: *"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his*

people to do every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

For the Leader: pictures for "Love it or Lose it" Icebreaker game, Kidzone Video/timestamps,

For the children: crayons and markers, copies of the printables and Extra Activities listed below for each child

All times are approximate! Worship Time is always at about 3:15. Other than that, the Leader may decide what order the other activities listed below will be done, and/or if something will be omitted or changed. For example, the children could watch the Bible Story video and the Teaching video (Top 5) together, and then the Leader could ask all of the questions after watching both videos.

3:00-3:15pm: Greet kids as they arrive. Kids have free-choice time with the activities the Leader has set out & prepared from the bin. Connect with kids, get to know them, introduce the Big Idea of the day, etc...

3:15pm: Tidy up the activities and games. Then, line up to go to the Worship Room.

3:20-3:40pm: Worship Time in the Worship Room

3:40-4:30 pm: Class Time

ICEBREAKER GAME: Connecting Kids to Others

Ask the kids to say their name and then play the icebreaker "Love it or lose it"

Directions:

- *Have all the kids in the room stand up.*
- *Each picture will have two options for the kids to choose from.*
- *The kids will show their choice by going to the side of the room representing the option they love more. (one side of the room will be 'they love it the most')*
- *Give them 5-10 seconds to decide before moving to the side & declaring the option they love more- the side with the most kids standing wins!*

After the Game:

"Great job! That was so fun... and now I feel like I know more about all of you because I know some of the things you love the most! You know, that makes me think about what we're learning today. I mentioned King David earlier... that's because he is known for being a man after God's own heart. That means he looked to God and prayed to him in all situations. He is literally known for how much he loved God –which is an awesome thing to be known for! I don't know about you, but that's something I want to be known for too."

That's why our Big Idea for today is: I can be royal like King David when I love God with my whole heart. Maybe you're thinking 'how can I be like a king?' Well, we can actually be royal when we do the things that these kings and queens from the Bible did that followed God... so that means we can be royal when we love God like King David did! This guy goes down in history as being called "a man after God's own heart." As we watch, pay close attention and see the ways David showed God he loved him. Check it out!

Watch the ANIMATED BIBLE STORY, "David's Prayers", from the Kidzone Online video. (It comes after the first worship song).

Talk About the Bible Story; ask some or all of the following questions:

Tip: Allow the kids to answer questions with one or two other people and then share what they've discovered together with the group. Encourage the kids to share their response to the questions even if someone has already said what they wanted to say.

"What other Bible stories do you remember David from? Did you remember King David is the same David from David and Goliath? That same boy grew up to be a king!....Let's play a little question game to review some of what we just learned!

1. *Which royal king from the Bible did we learn about today? Was it:*
 - A. *King Tut*
 - B. *King David*
 - C. *King of Hearts*
2. *David was known for how much he _____ God. Was it:*
 - A. *Trusted*
 - B. *Loved*
 - C. *Laughed with*
3. *How did David talk to God?*
 - A. *He prayed*
 - B. *He sang songs*

C. He wrote letters

D. All of the above

4. *When we royally love God like King David, we love God with how much of our heart?*

A. Most of our heart

B. Half of our heart

C. Our whole heart

5. *True or false: David made some mistakes as king.*

A. True

B. False

6. *Can you still love God even when you make a mistake?*

A. Yes

B. No

7. *Who is the one true King?*

A. King David

B. Jesus

C. The King of England

‘David truly sought after God and followed after His heart – and we can too! We can go to him first in every situation to pray to him, read the Bible and find answers, try our best to always do the right thing, and talk to people who love God about what we should do. And you know what other cool thing happens when we choose to follow God with our whole heart? We are an example of God’s love to other people. The more we grow in our love for God, the more other people will see that love in us and want to be a part of it too!’

“Now it’s time to catch up with one of my favorite people who always teaches me a thing or two about loving God... it’s Greg! But this time, Greg is on the go.”

Watch the TEACHING VIDEO;

“Let’s check out this new episode to find out what awesome place Greg is exploring today!”

Watch the Teaching from the Kidzone Online video. (It comes after the Bible story video).

Talk About the Teaching Video; ask some or all of the following questions:

Tip: Allow the kids to answer questions with one or two other people and then share what they’ve discovered together with the group. Let kids know you want to hear from them and what they think about the things talked about today.

“Okay, that was awesome! You’re telling me there’s a place where kings, queens, castles, rollercoasters, and LEGO all come together into one awesome amusement park?! Sign me up! And I love that Greg reminded us that even though we talk a lot about how awesome King David is –and he was! –he still sinned and made some huge mistakes. So why does he go down in history as a man after God’s own heart and one of the greatest kings of Israel? Well, it’s because he always did his best and had a heart that desired God. He never stopped trying to follow God, and when he sinned –he prayed to God, admitted his wrongs, and looked to change for the future. We can still love God with our whole heart even when we sin and mess up. What God wants to see is that we keep seeking Him and keep trying our best to follow him every day!”

1. *What are some things you have prayed about? How did God answer your prayer?*

Allow the kids to share from their experience. Help them discover that prayer is a main way we can show God we love him with our whole heart.

2. ***What are some things you love? Consider: people you love, things you love to do, items you love, etc.***

Allow the kids to share their responses. Encourage them that those things are not bad, but they can easily become things we love more than God when we make them more important. We can love God with our whole heart when we put Him first in our lives.

3. ***What are some ways you can show God you love him?***

Allow the kids to share their thoughts and ideas. Help emphasize the importance of seeking God in all they do. Seeking God means looking to Him and making Him a part of our lives like King David did! There are a lot of awesome things in life that we can –and should –love! But loving God with our whole heart means we look to God first and make him a part of everything we do! When we hang out with our friends, watch TV, or play games; we can think about whether or not these are things that would make God happy and honour him, and make sure we love the things that God loves! Remember, nobody is perfect or can love God with their whole heart all of the time. But we can always try our best to follow God and do the things He wants us to do, like King David did!

4. ***BONUS! What was Greg's #1 favorite ride today at Legoland?***

A. The Water Fountain

B. Unikitty's Disco Drop

C. Emmet's Flying Adventure

SUGGESTION: *Before going to prayer, have the children repeat the Bible verse aloud once or twice with you. Feel free to create your own Bible Verse Game to play today!*

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Let’s focus on memorizing that FIRST part today: *“All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives.”*

PRAYER:

- Wrap up your time together by praying, using the CALM prayer practice (*refer to prayer practice card*).
- Ask the children if they have anything they’d like to celebrate & praise God for....
- Incorporate what the children said as you pray; or, ask if a child would like to say a sentence for the C, A, or L portion of the prayer.
- For the M part, ask the children to meditate quietly on our verse and God’s promise that His Word helps to guide us toward what is true and good!

EXTRA ACTIVITIES: If there is time left over before the service ends, the curriculum contains these additional activities:

- Lesson 1 Colouring Sheet
- Lesson 1 Word Search
- Lesson 1 Activity Sheet
- Play the introductory “game” on the Kidzone Online video (it comes right after Pastor Shauna welcomes everyone).

4:30-4:40pm: Dismissal and Checkout:

Open the classroom door and use the walkie talkie so you can hear the Host team calling children's names. Dismiss children down the hall toward the hosts. Meanwhile, let kids choose activities from the classroom bin.