

3-5s | W2

Prelude: Setting the tone for the experience

See the **Getting Ready** pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you'll need for today.

In the **Prelude** folder of your curriculum, you'll find a variety of other resources to help you prepare.

Small Group (15 minutes)

Social: Providing time for fun interaction

Bible Walk
Reel in the Horse
Build the Chariot

Large Group (20 minutes)

Worship: Inviting people to respond to God

Story: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

Worship
Bible Story
Prayer

Small Group (25 minutes)

Groups: Creating a safe place to connect

Pass the Bible
Story Sequencing
Love Language
Race the Chariot
Crafting a Chariot
Journal and Prayer

Home: Prompting action beyond the experience

Going Home
Memory Verse Card
Parent Cue Card (print or email)
Parent Cue App and ParentCue.org

*Allergy Alert



Bible Story

Philip • Acts 8:26-35 | I can hear from God.

Key Question

What does the Bible teach you?

Bottom Line

The Bible teaches me the best things.

Memory Verse

"Your word is truth" (John 17:17 NIV).

11 min

Worship

3 min

Worship Opener

What You Need

No supplies needed

3 min

Amazing Music | Option 1 w/ Memory Verse

What You Need

No supplies needed

Worship Leader enters.

WORSHIP LEADER: "Hi, friends! My name is [your name], and I am SO happy to see you today!"

"Let's play a quick game. I am going to make a sound, and when you hear me make it, I want you to make the same sound. Ready?"

As you make the sound, jump up and down like you are a bouncy ball.

"Boing! Boing! Boing! Stand up and do that with me."

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: *(Jumping up and down.)* "Boing! Boing! Boing!"

WORSHIP LEADER: "Great job! Now listen to my next sound."

Pretend to flap your wings.

"Cock-a-doodle-doo! Can you do that with me?"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: *(Flapping your 'wings.')*
"Cock-a-doodle-doo! Cock-a-doodle-doo!"

WORSHIP LEADER: "Wow! Okay, my little roosters, listen to my last sound."

Wave your arms in the air as you make the sound of a Klaxon horn.

"Ahh-ooo-gah! Ahh-ooo-gah!"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: *(Waving your arms in the air.)*
"Ahh-ooo-gah! Ahh-ooo-gah!"

WORSHIP LEADER: "Yes, you heard the sounds I made, and you did them too! And now it's time for us to make another kind of sound. We're going to sing and celebrate our great God."

Amazing Music is available to stream for free in APlay.

WORSHIP LEADER: "Now, let's stand up, and let's celebrate because God gave us the Bible."

Lead children in singing "The B-I-B-L-E."

5 min

Orange Kids Music | Option 2

What You Need

No supplies needed

13 min

Bible Story Section (Rug)

10 min

Bible Story | Live

"Great singing, friends! Now let's learn some of God's words from the Bible. (*Open hands like a book.*) Are you ready? Watch me say the words from the Bible and do the motions, and then you can do them with me!

Note: A video of the Memory Verse Motions is available in the Prelude folder and on Pinterest.

"Your (*point up*) word (*open hands like a book*) is truth," (*move index finger forward from mouth*) John 17:17. (*Open hands like a book.*)

"Can you do that with me?"

Lead children to say the Memory Verse with Hand Motions once or twice.

"Great job, friends! Jesus, God's Son, said that everything that God says is true! Now let's sing one more song together.

Lead children in singing "This Little Light of Mine."

"Thanks for celebrating God with me! **[Transition]** And now it's time to turn around (*spin around*) . . . sit down (*sit down*) . . . shake the wiggles out (*wiggle hands*) . . . so we can hear (*cup hands behind ears*) what the story's all about!"

Orange Kids Music is available for purchase at Store.ThinkOrange.com.

WORSHIP LEADER: "Now, let's stand up, and let's celebrate God!"

Lead children in singing "The Bible Teaches Me the Best Things."



"Great singing, friends! Let's sing one more song together.

Lead children in singing "Important Things."

"Thanks for celebrating God with me! **[Transition]** And now it's time to turn around (*spin around*) . . . sit down (*sit down*) . . . shake the wiggles out (*wiggle hands*) . . . so we can hear (*cup hands behind ears*) what the story's all about!"

LEADER: "Hello, friends! I'm [your name], and I can't wait to tell you a true story from the Bible.

What You Need

 Bible	0
 Option: Cardstock	1

What You Do:

- Download the Large Group Visuals to display on a device or screen or copy on cardstock.

Open the Bible for children to see, then set it down.

"Today's true story from the Bible begins with a man named Philip. Philip loved God, and he was friends with Jesus, God's Son.

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"One day, an angel told Philip to walk down a road, and when Philip did ... he saw a chariot! A chariot is a fancy cart pulled by a large animal, like an ox or a horse.

"God told Philip to go to the chariot, so Philip stopped walking and RAN up to the chariot.

Stand up and motion for children to stand with you.

"Can you stand up and run in place?

Run in place.

"Run, run, run! Go faster—we've got to get to the chariot!

Slow down and then stop running.

"Phew! We made it. Let's sit back down now.

Motion for the children to sit down and then sit down.

"When Philip got to the chariot, he could hear a man reading God's words. Philip asked him:

"Do you understand what you're reading?" (Acts 8:30 NIV).

"The man said:

"How can I? ... I need someone to explain it to me." (Acts 8:31 NIV)

SLIDE: Story Image W2 02

"So, Philip sat with the man in the chariot. They read God's words together, and Philip helped him understand God's words.

"Philip told him the good news about Jesus (Act 8:35 NIV) and that Jesus wanted to be his friend forever.

"Wow! Philip helped the man understand God's words so he could hear from God. We can hear from God too!

Open your hands like a book.

"Can you open your hands like a book?

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3 min

Prayer

What You Need

No supplies needed

Hold up your Bible.

"God gave us a special book that we call the Bible. It has God's words in it. We can open the Bible and look at pictures. We can read the Bible on our own.

SLIDE: Story Image W2 04

"And God gives us people to help us understand the Bible, just like the man in the chariot had Philip!

"Maybe it's someone in your family, or maybe it's the people here at church—like me! I love you so much I want to teach you about God.

"The Bible is the best, and the Bible teaches us that we can read God's words and hear from God. **[Bottom Line] The Bible teaches me the best things. What does the Bible teach you?"**

CHILDREN and LEADER: [Bottom Line] "The Bible teaches me the best things!"

LEADER: "Yes, [Bottom Line] The Bible teaches me the best things.

Pick up and close Bible.

[Transition] "Our story time is over, but we're not through. Let's talk to God because God loves you!"

PRAYER

LEADER: "Dear God, thank You so much for giving us the Bible. You give us people who help us hear from you when we read the Bible. Help us learn more about you, God. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

[Transition] "And now it's time for more Bible fun. There's more to learn. Come on, everyone!"

Lead small group to the first activity.

Supplies

Bible Story | Live

Quantity

1.	Bible	0
2.	Option: Cardstock	1