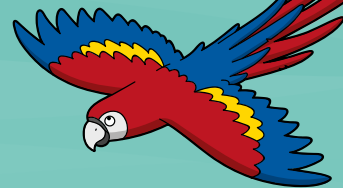




DIY CURRICULUM FOR VBS: SEEK AND FIND STORYBOOK BIBLE



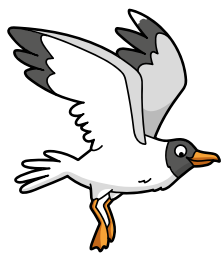
Ignite curiosity. Engage imagination. Show them what God is like. Designed with flexibility in mind, this DIY plan provides a basic structure for hosting a VBS while leaving plenty of room to adapt to your budget, context, and capacity.



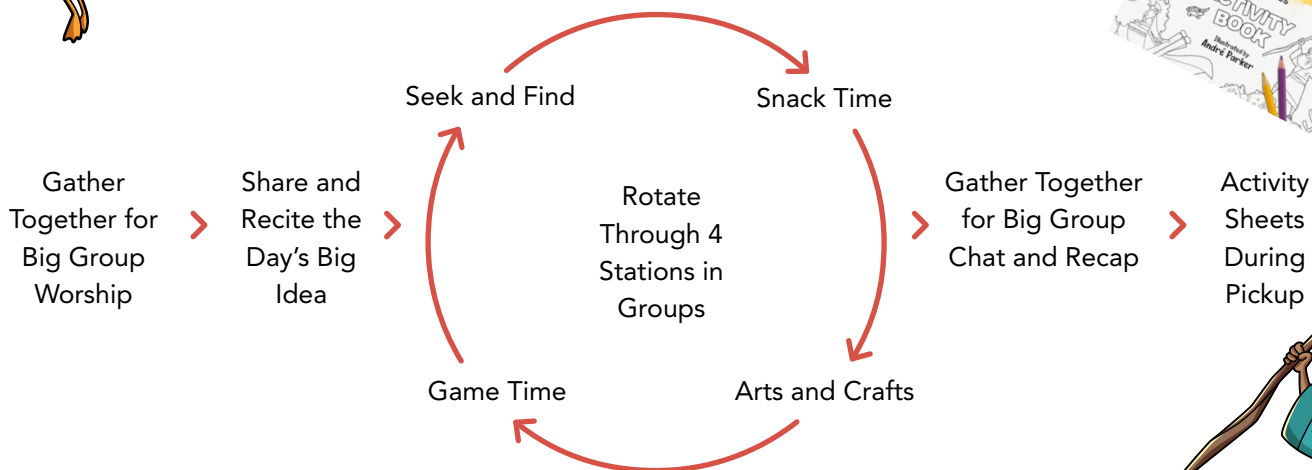
To use this free curriculum, you'll need a copy of *Seek and Find Bible Storybook* for the story read-aloud station. This Bible storybook is also a wonderful source of inspiration for decorating.

Get a copy of the Bible for each group—or as a gift for each family that participates—for less! **SAVE 30%** when you buy 10 from The Good Book Company. This discount also applies to other resources in the series, such as activity books.

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DAILY FLOW





DAILY OUTLINE



WORSHIP

Suggested songs:

Bold and Brave

Jesus Is the King

Live for Jesus

SEEK AND FIND CALL-AND-RESPONSES

Similar to the traditional rhythm for *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*. You could add an "obstacle" each day to build the chant over time in line with the lessons.



REFRAIN

Leader: *We're going on a Bible hunt!*

Kids: *We're going on a Bible hunt!*

Leader: *We're gonna seek and find!*

Kids: *We're gonna seek and find!*

Leader: *We'll see what God has made*

Kids: *We'll see what God has made*

Leader: *And all that he has done!*

Kids: *And all that he has done!*

OBSTACLE 1:

Leader: *Oh, no! Adam and Eve disobeyed, and now things aren't good or right anymore—that's called sin!*

Leader: *We can't go over it*

Kids: *We can't go over it*

Leader: *We can't go under it*

Kids: *We can't go under it*

Leader: *We just need a rescuer from it!*

Kids: *We just need a rescuer from it!*

OBSTACLE 2:

Leader: *Uh oh! The promise to old, wrinkly Abraham and Sarah was impossible!*

Leader: *They can't go over it*

Kids: *They can't go over it*

Leader: *They can't go under it*

Kids: *They can't go under it*

Leader: *But nothing is impossible for God!*

Kids: *But nothing is impossible for God!*

OBSTACLE 3:

Leader: *Oh no! King Jesus is coming, but there's a long journey first!*

Leader: *They can't go over it*

Kids: *They can't go over it*

Leader: *They can't go under it*

Kids: *They can't go under it*

Leader: *It's okay. God always makes a way!*

Kids: *It's okay. God always makes a way!*

OBSTACLE 4:

Leader: *Uh oh! Jesus says he has to die for our sin!*

Leader: *We can't go over it*

Kids: *We can't go over it*

Leader: *We can't go under it*

Kids: *We can't go under it*

Leader: *Good news! Jesus rose again!*

Kids: *Good news! Jesus rose again!*

OBSTACLE 5:

Leader: *Oh no! Sin still makes this world broken!*

Leader: *We can't go over it*

Kids: *We can't go over it*

Leader: *We can't go under it*

Kids: *We can't go under it*

Leader: *But Jesus is coming back, and he'll make everything perfect!*

Kids: *But Jesus is coming back, and he'll make everything perfect!*

THE DAY'S BIG IDEA

- Read the short Bible story (or stories) aloud while the illustration is on the screen
- Recite the key point, inviting the children to stand and practice exclaiming the key point with you
- Pray!

4 STATIONS IN GROUPS**Seek and Find**

- Recite the day's key point.
- With the book open, invite children, one at a time, to come up and seek and find the items on the page. As they do, talk with the kids about the Bible story and how each item they seek and find fits into it.
- Ask kids to find the day's memory verse, which you could hide on a paper under a chair, on a whiteboard that has a poster over it, etc.
- Practice the memory verse as time allows.
- Share the fact file if time allows.

Snack Time

(See daily sheets)

Arts and Crafts

Color the bunting sheets for the day, and string them together on the last day for kids to take home.

Bunting



Game Time

(See daily sheets)

GROUP CHAT AND RECAP

- Put the illustration on screen again as a refresher
 - Read the short “think” prompt aloud
 - Invite the children to answer the questions
 - Ask a few volunteers to recite the day’s memory verse
 - Recite the key point again as a group
 - Do another song and dance if time allows!
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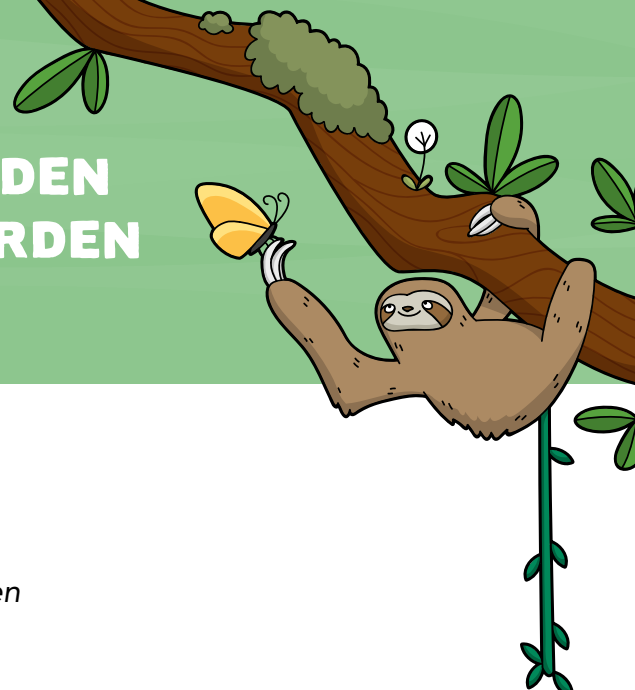
ACTIVITY SHEETS DURING PICKUP

Activity Sheets



DAY 1

GOD'S AMAZING GARDEN & LEAVING GOD'S GARDEN



BIBLE STORY READING

God's Amazing Garden and Leaving God's Garden

KEY POINT

God is our amazing Creator, and he loves us even when we do things wrong!

MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 1:31a

CRAFT

Bunting

- God made the world perfect
- People disobeyed

SNACKS

- Veggies
- Crackers

GAMES

Run some relay races with garden elements like leaves, flowers, or fruit.



DAY 2

ABRAHAM AND SARAH



If your holiday club is four days, we suggest dropping this day's readings and activities. Simply mention that we need a rescuer on day 1 when sin is explained.

BIBLE STORY READING

Abraham and Sarah

Explain that this story is an example of God keeping his promises even when it seems impossible!

KEY POINT

God promised to rescue us, and God is a promise-keeper!

MEMORY VERSE

Genesis 21:1

CRAFT

Bunting

- God promised to send a rescuer
- God is a promise-keeper

SNACKS

- Fruit
- Pretzels

GAMES

Play Star Sticker Tag! This is like normal tag, but to tag someone, the person who is "it" has to put a star sticker on them.



DAY 3

BABY JESUS IS BORN & THE SHEPHERDS



BIBLE STORY READING

Baby Jesus Is Born and The Shepherds

KEY POINT

Jesus is God's Son, and Jesus is our rescuer!

MEMORY VERSE

Luke 2:11

CRAFT

Bunting

- Jesus is God's Son
- Jesus is our rescuer!

SNACKS

- Birthday cupcakes
- Chips

GAMES

Play Red Light, Green Light. Label the starting line as Nazareth and the finishing line as Bethlehem!



DAY 4

PALM SUNDAY CELEBRATION & THE SPECIAL MEAL



BIBLE STORY READING

Palm Sunday Celebration and The Special Meal

KEY POINT

Jesus is our promised King. He died to rescue us!

MEMORY VERSE

Luke 22:19

CRAFT

Bunting

- Jesus is our promised King
- He died to rescue us!

SNACKS

- Crackers
- Juice

GAMES

Play Simon Says—but throw in some story references, like waving a palm or breaking bread.



DAY 5

JESUS IS ALIVE & WITH JESUS FOREVER



BIBLE STORY READING

Jesus is Alive and With Jesus Forever

KEY POINT

Jesus is alive forever and is coming back!

MEMORY VERSE

John 20:21

CRAFT

Bunting

- Jesus is alive forever
- He is coming back!

SNACKS

- Party cookies
- Chips

GAMES

Run a Jump for Joy contest! Kids must compete at different kinds of jumping—long jump, jumping jacks, or anything else you can think of.





IDEAS FOR DECORATION

- Download the free [illustration pack](#) featuring the images from each day's stories. These can be printed as posters or shown on a large screen.
- Download the free [character illustration pack](#) featuring a person from each day's stories. These can be turned into large cardboard cutouts and hidden in different places each day for kids to seek and find. You might consider awarding points or prizes when kids spot the day's character and tell you a little about them from what they've learned that day.
- To decorate the room, go for nature backdrops with plenty of animals, as these visuals recur in *Seek and Find Bible Storybook*. We recommend...
 - Flowers and greenery
 - Paper birds hung from above
 - Animal toys or cutouts
 - Binoculars, magnifying glasses, and other "seek and find" type items
- Color in some free [bunting crafts](#) ahead of time to decorate with, or string kids' bunting sheets up, adding to them each day before the kids take their completed bunting home.





FINAL DAY PRESENTATION FOR PARENTS

If your week ends with an event parents are invited to attend, you might consider:

SEEK AND FIND LIVING STORIES

- Divide kids into groups. Each group should prepare to pose as a scene from one of the Bible stories they've read that week.
- One by one, the groups come up to present their poses to the audience while a leader summarizes the Bible story.
- The kids in the group can conclude by reciting the key point for that story.
- The leader could list a couple of things to spot in the posed scene, inviting parents to call out what they see.

CONCERT AND RECITATION

- Divide kids into five groups, and select one child from each group who is confident in public speaking.
- Begin with the selected child reciting the first day's memory verse.
- Then the first group to present recites the first day's theme together.
- Everyone sings a worship song.
- Repeat for each day's theme, giving each group their turn to shine.



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