

Large Group Leader Guide

Today's Suggested Schedule

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

1. Opening Activity

Large Group (35 minutes)

Worship: Inviting people to respond to God

Story: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

- Opener
- Worship ("Know You More" and "Further Faster")
- Bible Story (sections about God's Big Story are listed as optional)
- Conversation Starter
- Prayer

Small Group (25 minutes)

Groups: Creating a safe place to connect

1. Take a Snapshot
2. Bible Story Extension and Discussion Questions
3. Verses to Take with You
4. Pray and Dismiss

Home: Prompting action beyond the experience

- Devotionals for Kids
- Parent Cue Card (print or email)
- [Parent Cue App](#) and [ParentCue.org](#)

✦ Need activities for a K-5th group? Check out the 2nd-3rd guide.



Today's Bible Story

David and the Psalms

Psalms 1:1-4

Supporting: Psalm 23:1-2; 8:1; 18:2

Conversation Starter

How do you know what's wise?

Bottom Line

God can help you make the wise choice.

Memory Verse

"It is much better to get wisdom than gold. It is much better to choose understanding than silver."

Proverbs 16:16 NIV



Inclusive Pro Tips

Loud sounds, bright lights, and large groups can be overwhelming or overstimulating for some children. To create a more inclusive large group experience, consider offering adaptive tools like noise-canceling headphones, sunglasses, sensory-friendly items, or access to modified spaces.

25 MINUTES

Story

10 MINUTES

Worship

① Welcome

AUDIO → Play high-energy music as kids enter.

SLIDE → Theme

Optional Video → Theme Loop

→ **Host enters.**

Optional Video → Countdown

Optional Video → Theme Intro

Optional Video → Theme Loop

Host has lots of energy as he or she welcomes everyone to [NAME OF ENVIRONMENT]. Host is relatable and inviting. Host can talk about something that happened culturally throughout the week like a big sports game, movie opening, a viral video on YouTube, etc. Host tells them how excited he or she is that they're there and briefly runs through what they can expect. This is especially helpful for first-time guests to make them feel like they know what's happening.

Opener

HOST: (WALKS IN WITH LOTS OF ENERGY)

"Hey, everyone! Welcome to Wisdomland, where you get to make your own adventure. I hope you're ready for a day full of fun—and maybe even some tough choices. Because today, we're finding out how to make wise choices, no matter what comes your way. God wants to help you make the wise choice step by step through your life.

SLIDE → "Wisdomland Theme Park Map"

"Okay, check out this park map—who wants to go on every single ride? **(PAUSE FOR THE KIDS TO RAISE THEIR HANDS.)**

"But here's the catch: not every ride is what it seems! Some are awesome, some are just plain weird, and some might be ... well, let's just say, not the wisest choice for you.

"Let me divide our group into teams for our game.

→ **Divide your group into teams of manageable size.**

"Here's how our game works: I'm going to read you some real reviews from theme park guests ...

"Well, pretend reviews since this is a pretend park. Your job? Figure out which ride the review is talking about! You can shout it out or raise your hand when you think you know. And, bonus points if you can tell us: is this a ride that would be a wise choice for you, or not? And why?

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Story

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Worship

"The thing about wisdom is that it's about taking in the information you have, and making the wisest choice with it.

"I'll give you an example. Do you see this 'Spinning Teacups of Doom' ride?

SLIDE → "Spinning Teacups of Doom"

"It's a ride that spins round and round and round. Some of us get dizzy and nauseous easily. So knowing that information about ourselves, that wouldn't be a wise ride for us to ride. Others of us love being dizzy, we have no reason not to ride the ride, so it's not an unwise choice for us.

"So, let me read some reviews of some rides to you, you raise your hand if you think you know which ride the review is about, and if you have some thoughts on reasons why that ride could be wise or unwise to ride.

"Let's get started! Here is the first review!

"Got soaked, laughed the whole time, but my shoes are STILL wet. Wish I'd brought a towel!"

"What ride could that be? (INVITE RESPONSES: "SPLASH ZONE")

SLIDE → "Splash Zone Elevator"

"What are some reasons that ride could be unwise? What would you need to be ready for this one? What are some reasons it could be a wise ride to ride?

"Okay, the next review. Raise your hand if you know what it is, and if you have some thoughts about it:

"The line was so long, but the rollercoaster was totally worth it. I went upside down three times! Screamed the whole way."

"Which ride could that review be for? (INVITE RESPONSES. "LOOP-DE-LOOP BANANA COASTER")

SLIDE → "Loop-De-Loop Banana Coaster"

"How do you decide if it's wise to wait for this ride, or just skip to something else? Are there any other reasons this ride could be unwise to ride? How could it be wise for some people?

"Another review:

"I thought this would be easy, but the tunnel got darker and twistier—and somehow, I came out on the wrong side of the park. Weird!"

"Which ride is this? (WAIT FOR RESPONSES. "MYSTERY TUNNEL")

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Worship

SLIDE → "Mystery Tunnel"

"What are some reasons this ride would be unwise for people to ride?
What are some reasons that this ride might be wise for someone to ride?"

"Another review:

"I thought this ride would be chill and slower paced, but I kept getting pummeled by other bumper boats. I was hit so hard, so often that I kept getting whiplash! Some of those other folks can really drive!"

"Which ride is this? (WAIT FOR RESPONSES. "CHILL ZONE BUMPER BOATS")

SLIDE → "Chill Zone Bumper Boats"

"What are some reasons this ride would be unwise for people to ride?
What are some reasons that this ride might be wise for someone to ride?
"You see, sometimes making wise choices means looking past what seems fun and paying attention to what really matters—being safe, being prepared, and thinking things through. Part of wisdom is not just knowing stuff, but making the best choices with what you know.

"In this game we looked mainly at everyday wisdom, making the wisest choice with what we know. But wisdom from God goes even beyond that—because it involves knowledge from God Himself! He can even download information from heaven to you as you go through life and make choices!

"The closer we get to Him, the more we listen to His voice, the more wisdom we'll learn. And God goes with us step by step through life to help us live wisely and well!

"Today, we're asking the big question: How do you know what's wise?

"Alright, let's stand up and worship together—because God is the One who gives us wisdom, and He's with us through every decision."

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Story

10 MINUTES

Worship

② Worship

→ **Worship Leaders enter as Host exits.**

WORSHIP LEADER: “Alright, Wisdomland, that was a wild start! But before we go any further, let’s take a moment to shift our focus.

“Sometimes at a theme park, there’s noise, excitement, and choices everywhere—life can be noisy like that too. But when we worship, we choose to focus on the One who knows us, who wants to be our close friend, and who wants to help us go through life wisely and well: God.

“Worship through music isn’t just about singing—it’s about turning our hearts toward God and telling Him that we want His presence and His voice to be the strongest and loudest one in our lives.

“If you came in today feeling excited, stressed, distracted, or even just a little ‘meh,’ know this: it’s totally okay however you are. God is glad you came. He wants to be friends with the real you, and He will meet with you right where you are.

“Let’s start with a song called: ‘Know You More.’

“As we sing, think about how knowing God isn’t just about having facts or Bible verses in your head—it’s about getting to know God, the Person, as His friend and following His ways. And as you sing this song, make the lyrics your prayer. You want to spend your life getting to know God, His ways, and being His friend. The King of the universe wants to be your friend!

AUDIO → “Know You More” / track 1 from Focus

“Great job! I love seeing you all worship in your own way.

“Let’s keep it going with another song: ‘Further Faster.’

“This song reminds us that God’s way is the best way. God has made it so that if you follow His ways, they’ll lead you to a better life! You’ll go further and faster when you follow God and His ways!

“So when you feel stuck and you don’t know which way to go, you can come to God for help, and He will give you wisdom. Let’s sing this song together!

AUDIO → “Further Faster” / track 6 from This Little Light

“You can grab a seat for a second. Worshipping through music is powerful because it re-centers our minds. Instead of just thinking about what everyone else says is cool or right, we get to hear what God says about us—and what He says is wise.

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Worship

"Now, let's look at this month's Memory Verse together. It's a truth we want to get stuck in our hearts this month, so we can recall it when life gets messy.

SLIDE → Memory Verse

"Let's say it together:

It is much better to get wisdom than gold.

It is much better to choose understanding than silver. —Proverbs 16:16 NIV

"Just think about that—God's wisdom is more valuable than anything you could buy at any theme park, any trophy, or any status you could chase. And God wants to give it to us! He wants to give us something so precious so we live wisely and well!

"So, as we head into today's true story from the Bible, let's keep asking: How do you know what's wise?

"Let's find out together."

③ Bible Story (Communicator Script)

SLIDE → Theme Background

→ **Communicator enters as Worship Leaders exit.**

INTRODUCTION

→ **Set out the box of props, so they are available to the Communicator.**

COMMUNICATOR: "You know, I was thinking about our big question today: How do you know what's wise? And I realized, sometimes it's hard to know what the wise choice is—especially in the moment.

TENSION

COMMUNICATOR: "Let's be honest: We all face those 'theme park' moments in life. Maybe you've had to pick between doing what's fun and doing what's right, or choosing between two friends, or deciding if you should follow the crowd or listen to your own gut.

→ **Prompt: At this point, share a real personal story from your own life—a time at an amusement park, a big school event, or a crossroads when you had to make a choice and weren't sure what the wise thing was. The story should end with a brief reflection: "I wasn't sure what was best, and I wished I had some wisdom to help me out."**

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"Now, hold that in your mind.

"Today, we're digging into the story of someone who was wise—not because he was perfect, but because he kept turning to God. He was always, always honest with his friend, God. Sometimes this person was angry, sometimes he was grateful, and sometimes he really, really messed up. He wrote songs about his honest feelings in songs, and God loved those songs so much, He put them in the Bible.

"His name? David. And he wrote a lot of the psalms that are a part of the book of Psalms in the Bible.

"Let's see how wisdom really works—not just in fairy tales or when life is perfect, but in real, messy life.

"But before we get into the story of David and the Psalms, let me tell you about an awesome thing we're doing this year!

"We're going through the key stories in the Bible from cover to cover!

"Why? Well, part of the reason God gave us the Bible is so we can get to know Him! So as we go through the stories of the Bible this year, hopefully we'll learn about Him!"

GOD'S BIG STORY OPENER (OPTIONAL)

"We're going to go through God's Big Story! (GESTURE TO SLIDE.)

SLIDE → God's Big Story

"Each week, we'll look at a story from God's Big Story and add a picture of that story to our timeline, so we can see where we've been in the Bible as we journey along. (GESTURE TO TIMELINE.)

"Let me bring you up to speed on where we've been in God's Big Story so far!

"So you might remember that in the very beginning, God made everything! He made the world, the animals, people ... everything! God made the first people for the same reason He made all people—to be His close, close friends. But sadly, the first people God made chose to turn away from Him and sin. God wanted people to be close to Him, but they couldn't anymore! It was so sad.

"And awful things happened to the world too. Pain, sickness, and death entered into it.

"But God didn't want to leave things that way! So He put His rescue plan in motion right from the start!

"God was going to rescue everything through a family! God chose a man named Abraham and promised that his family would bless the whole world. Many years later, Abraham's great-grandson Joseph ended up in Egypt. After some hard times, God helped Joseph become a super-important leader there! Joseph saved his whole family by bringing them

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to Egypt. But hundreds of years passed. God grew and grew His people. A new Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, came along. He didn't know about Joseph. He saw how many of God's people there were, he got scared, and he started being mean to them.

"God's people cried out to God for help. He answered! He brought His people out of slavery into a beautiful home He had for them—the Promised Land! After some time living in the Promised Land, God's people wanted a king like the other nations around them.

"The first king, Saul, made lots of unwise choices. But the next king was named David, that same man we mentioned earlier. David wasn't perfect, but he loved God with his whole heart and tried to follow Him. And that's where we are in God's Big Story."

TRUTH

"This week, we're moving right along in the Bible! We're going to look at a book that's right in the middle of the Bible—the book of Psalms. If you open your Bible right to the middle, you'll likely open it to this book!

"Let's step back in time and look at what David was going through when he wrote some of those psalms, and how he was honest with his good friend God every step of the way.

"I'd like for you to sit in your Small Group, and at points in the story, we'll turn and talk about some questions. **(PAUSE AS KIDS GET INTO THEIR SMALL GROUPS.)**

"Great! Let's get started. Before David was King David, he was just David—the youngest in his family. If you think your chores are tough, imagine being the little brother who gets stuck outside with the sheep. David's job was lonely, sometimes boring, and occasionally scary.

"But out there, it's very likely that David learned something important: he learned to talk to God. He sang songs, played his harp, and poured out his feelings—joy, fear, confusion, hope. That's where many of the psalms that David wrote started. They were basically David's journal, set to music.

→ **Hold up the harp (or stringed instrument) and the journal from the prop box for a moment, then put them back in the prop box.**

"Now, David's story didn't stay simple for long. God chose him to be the next king, even though nobody expected it. You've probably heard about David and Goliath—how a young man with a slingshot and five smooth stones stood up to a giant because he trusted that God was with him. That's brave.

→ **Hold up the five smooth stones from the prop box and put them back in the prop box.**

"After David became famous for defeating Goliath, his life actually got harder. King Saul, who was supposed to be David's mentor and friend, became jealous and started chasing David down.

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"Imagine what that's like: You go from hero to running for your life. David spent years hiding in caves, moving from place to place, on the run from Saul and his army.

"Let's Turn and Talk. Turn to your Small Group sitting around you and discuss these two questions:

- If you were David, hiding out, what would you pray about?
- Have you ever felt alone or like things were out of your control?

→ **Pause for one minute of discussion in Small Groups.**

"Here's where it gets real. David's life wasn't just a series of victories. He made big mistakes, and sometimes he made really unwise choices—choices that hurt other people. David sinned.

"But here's what makes David different: whenever he sinned or failed, he came back to God. He didn't try to hide. He wrote songs admitting when he was wrong, asking God for forgiveness, and asking for wisdom to do better next time.

"Let's read a piece of one of David's real prayers—it's recorded in Psalm 51.

→ **Open the Bible to Psalm 51:1, 2, 10 (NirV) and read.**

*God, have mercy on me
according to your faithful love. ...
Wash away all the evil things I've done.
Make me pure from my sin.*

*God, create a pure heart in me.
Give me a new spirit that is faithful to you.*

"David was honest about his sin. He believed wisdom wasn't just about never making mistakes—it was about knowing where to turn when you did. Over and over, he turned to God.

"Let's turn and talk to each other for a minute or so. Turn and Talk to your Small Group and discuss the questions your Small Group Leader has:

- Do you think being wise means you never mess up?
- Or is it more about what you do after you make a mistake?

→ **Pause for one minute of discussion in Small Groups.**

"David's journey wasn't smooth, but he kept coming back to God, asking for help, and growing wiser through it all.

COMMUNICATOR: "David's life wasn't one smooth ride. He had high highs, low lows, and a lot of times where it was hard to know what was right. But that's what makes the psalms he wrote so real. They aren't fake words—they're honest. They show us what it looks like to chase after wisdom, even when life is confusing.

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"Let's see how David's songs give us a picture of what real wisdom is.

"When David was amazed by God's creation, he wrote:

→ **Open the Bible to Psalm 8:1 (NirV) and read.**

*Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in the whole earth!*

*You have set your glory
in the heavens.*

"David would literally stare up at the sky and wonder how a God so huge could care about him.

"Let's Turn and Talk some more. Turn to your Small Group that's around you and discuss the question your Small Group Leader has.

→ When was the last time something made you stop and feel small—or grateful?

→ **Pause for one minute of discussion in Small Groups.**

"When David was in real danger, he wrote:

→ **Open the Bible to Psalm 18:2 (NirV) and read.**

*The Lord is my rock and my place of safety. He is the God who saves me.
My God is my rock. I go to him for safety.*

"Picture David hiding in a cave, cold, hungry, hearing Saul's soldiers outside. He felt fear, but he brought it to God.

"When David was sad, he didn't pretend he was okay. He wrote things like:

→ **Open the Bible to 6:6 (NirV) and read.**

*My groaning has worn me out.
All night long my tears flood my bed.*

"David didn't fake it for God.

"Let's Turn and Talk some more. Turn to your Small Group that's around you and discuss the questions your Small Group Leader has.

→ Do you feel like you have to hide your real feelings, even from God?

→ Why do you think David wrote honestly about sadness and fear?

→ **Pause for one minute of discussion in Small Groups.**

"David even wrote a psalm showing how thankful he was that God took care of him like the best shepherd.

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- Hold up the shepherd's staff (or walking stick) from the prop box momentarily, and put it back in the prop box.
- Open the Bible to Psalm 23:1-2 (NirV) and read.

The Lord is my shepherd. He gives me everything I need.

He lets me lie down in fields of green grass.

He leads me beside quiet waters.

"For David, wisdom wasn't about always being strong or having all the answers. It was about bringing every moment—happy, sad, scared, or grateful—to God.

"Let's talk honestly: Wisdom doesn't mean never having questions. Sometimes, wisdom means asking good questions. Sometimes, it means sitting in the tension of 'I don't know yet.' But the Psalms show us: if you want to be wise, you start by focusing on God.

"Not just looking for quick fixes or shortcuts, but really being honest with Him—about your struggles, your victories, and your doubts.

"Let's Turn and Talk some more. Turn to your Small Group that's around you and discuss the questions your Small Group Leader has.

- What do you think it means to "focus on God" in your own life?
- Is there a psalm, song, or prayer that helps you do that?

- **Pause for one minute of discussion in Small Groups.**

APPLICATION

COMMUNICATOR: "David discovered something that changed everything for him: When you focus on God, when you keep coming back, no matter what—God gives you the wisdom you need for each moment.

"And that's not just a 'David' thing. That's for you too.

GOD'S BIG STORY CLOSER (OPTIONAL)

STORYTELLER: "Let's take a look at the progress we made in God's Big Story this week!

SLIDE → God's Big Story

"This week, we're still up here in the part of this picture of God's Big Story with David kneeling and having Samuel pour oil over his head to anoint him as the next king. **(GESTURE TO SLIDE.)** That's where we are in God's Big Story!

"This week, we looked at David and the psalms. David wrote a lot of the psalms, and as we saw, he talked about everything with God. He ran to God like a fortress in times of trouble, he praised God for His beauty and bigness, he turned to God when he had messed up. David went through life as God's friend, and God loved it! God said that David was a man after His heart. But David wasn't just a good king, he was a special king. God was so honored by David's love and trust, that He wrote this

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shepherd-boy-turned-king into the rescue story He was writing. God used David's love in His plan to save us. Because many, many years after David, from David's family, would come Jesus! And Jesus would rescue us all!

"God had been working on His rescue plan to save us through every image of this timeline! **(GESTURE FROM THE BEGINNING OF YOUR TIMELINE ALL THE WAY TO THE END.)**

"Let's put the next image on our timeline!"

SLIDE → Week 2 Timeline Image

→ **If you're making a timeline of printed images on your wall, take this moment to place today's timeline image on the clothesline.**

"This week we talked about David and psalms."

LANDING

COMMUNICATOR: "So, what about us? David wrote songs about every part of his life—joy, heartbreak, mess-ups, victories, questions, even doubts. He brought it all to God, over and over. He discovered that wisdom isn't about having the perfect answer every time. It's about going to God when you don't. It's about bringing everything—your best moments, your hardest choices, your mess-ups—to God, and trusting Him to lead you.

"Here's what's true: God's wisdom isn't just an old story or something for 'church people.' It's for you, right now, in the middle of whatever you're facing. You might not always feel wise. You might wonder:

SLIDE → Conversation Starter

[CONVERSATION STARTER] "How do you know what's wise?"

SLIDE → Theme Background

"That's a good question. Start by doing what David did: focus on God. Ask Him for help. Look for wisdom in His Word, in the example of Jesus, and in people you trust who are following God too.

"So—what's our part in the story? It's to keep asking, 'How do you know what's wise?' It's to keep showing up, keep being honest, keep coming back to God—even when you're not sure.

"Let's pray.

③ Prayer

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COMMUNICATOR: “That’s a good question. Start by doing what David did: focus on God. Ask Him for help. Look for wisdom in His Word, in the example of Jesus, and in people you trust who are following God too.

“So—what’s our part in the story? It’s to keep asking, ‘How do you know what’s wise?’ It’s to keep showing up, keep being honest, keep coming back to God—even when you’re not sure.

“Let’s pray.

Transition → Dismiss kids to their small groups.

AUDIO → Play high-energy music as the kids exit.

SLIDE → Theme

Optional Video (MEDIA PACKAGE) → Theme Loop

PLANNING

Getting Ready: Welcome/ Opener

What You Need

- ☐ Host

Music and Sound Effects

- ☐ Upbeat music to use as kids enter the room

Large Group Visuals

- ☐ Memory Verse Slide
- ☐ "Wisdomland Theme Park" Slide
- ☐ "Spinning Teacups of Doom" Slide
- ☐ "Splash Zone" Slide
- ☐ "Loop-De-Loop Banana Coaster" Slide
- ☐ "Mystery Tunnel" Slide
- ☐ "Chill Zone Bumper Boats" Slide

Optional Videos

- ☐ Theme Loop
- ☐ Countdown
- ☐ Theme Intro

What You Do:

- Download the slides or optional videos and have them ready to use. If you do not have screen capabilities, you have Orange's permission to enlarge and print the slides on paper.
- Refer to week 1 to confirm that your church has appropriate licensing to perform or play music and sound effects in your kids' environments.

PLANNING

Getting Ready: Worship

What You Need

- ☐ Worship Leader(s)

Music and Sound Effects

- ☐ "Know You More" from Focus
- ☐ "Further Faster" from This Little Light

Optional Videos

Available for purchase.

- ☐ "Know You More" Dance Moves or Live Lyrics Video (available through Store.ThinkOrange.com)
- ☐ "Further Faster" Dance Moves Video or Live Lyrics Video (available through Store.ThinkOrange.com)

What You Do:

Note: We've suggested worship songs below from Amazing Kids Worship and Orange Kids Music. We've created these songs to be developmentally appropriate for elementary and preteen kids, incorporating simple, direct language, fun dance movements, and upbeat, current arrangements.

We've chosen these specific songs that amplify our teaching content for this month. We recommend that you use these songs as scripted below, or combined with other popular worship songs that your kids know and love. Be sure to share the links to these songs with parents so they can stream them at home or in the car! Songs can be purchased at store. thinkorange.com or for free with APlay.

A Worship Leader and live instruments are recommended to sing along with the music tracks. Encourage children to be active during worship by incorporating the appropriate hand motions.

- Download all songs and have them ready to use.

Note: Make sure your church has obtained licensing rights to play or perform music. You can obtain a license to perform worship music from Christian Copyright Licensing International (www.ccli.com). It covers over 200,000 worship songs for congregational singing. You are responsible for including the copyright information on all songs reproduced under the Church Copyright License (including song lyrics projected onscreen). This includes the song title, writer credit(s), copyright notice, and your church's CCLI license number. You can include this information on one of the lyric slides, or you can create a separate slide detailing this information, but the copyright information must appear at least once for each song you play or perform. For example:

"Hallelujah" words and music by John Doe
©2000 Good Music Co.
CCLI License # 0000

- Dance Moves Videos and Live Lyrics Videos are available for many Orange Kids Music songs. For more information, visit Store.ThinkOrange.com.
- Visit the Orange Store for Music Scope and Cycle purchases. Check out the Ministry Leader Guide for more information.

PLANNING

Getting Ready: Bible Story

Optional for God's Big Story

- ☐ Clothesline and clothespins for the timeline in your room
- ☐ God's Big Story Slide
- ☐ Week 2 Timeline Image Slide
- ☐ We recommend that you create a timeline in your Large Group room that you can add to throughout this curriculum year as we travel through the Bible. This can be a simple clothesline or a section of the wall where you can hang the printed timeline images in order, week by week. We'll provide a timeline image for each week of curriculum. The timeline image is listed as a slide, but can be printed. A [God's Big Story poster](#) is available as well in the Orange Store.

Optional Videos

- ☐ Theme Loop

What You Need:

NOTE: We're so excited to be going through key stories of the Bible this year and learning more about its Author—God! It's God's Big Story! But to provide you with flexibility as you experience God's Big Story in your own unique setting, there's more than one way to use the following script!

If you want to follow "God's Big Story," read the following script straight through. Each week will build on the previous ones. But, if your church wants to teach a Large Group session on its own as a standalone, without connecting it to what has come before, there are two sections in the script below that are optional—"God's Big Story Opener" and "God's Big Story Closer."

Whatever way you decide to use the following, know that we're praying diligently for you—we're asking God to help kids see and believe that He loves them, He invented them, and He wants to be their closest Friend. Forever. It's an honor to get to know God with you through the Bible this year!

- ☐ Communicator
- ☐ Bible
- ☐ Printed copy of "Turn and Talk Questions," one for each Small Group Leader
- ☐ Harp or small stringed instrument (for David's music)
- ☐ "Journal" notebook/prop (for David writing Psalms)
- ☐ Five smooth stones (when referencing how David defeated Goliath)
- ☐ Shepherd's staff or a long walking stick (for Psalm 23)

Music and Sound Effects

- ☐ Upbeat music to use as kids exit the room

Large Group Visuals

- ☐ Theme Background Slide
- ☐ Conversation Starter Slide
- ☐ Bottom Line Slide
- ☐ Theme Slide
- ☐ "Psalms for Every Season" Slide

What You Do:

- Download the slides and have them ready to use. If you do not have screen capabilities, you have Orange's permission to enlarge and print the slides on paper.
- Confirm that your church has appropriate licensing to perform or play music and sound effects in your kids' environments (see above under Opener).
- Collect all of the props in a prop box and make sure it's available to the Communicator.
- Make sure each Small Group Leader has a copy of the "Turn and Talk Questions."

Video Enhancements for Your Environment

Available in your media files and APlay.

Our Large Group scripts are interchangeable with these videos so you can plug and play the way you need to each week.

For 252 Kids (KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 3RD GRADE):

→ StoryLab: Invite elementary kids to engage with inquisitive young hosts as they explore core biblical truths and stories in a STEAM-inspired setting.

For 252 Preteen (4TH AND 5TH GRADE):

→ The So & So Show: Guide preteens to explore questions of faith through a YouTube-style show full of humor and lots of zany fun.

Additional environment enhancements including:

- Motion graphics, including loops
- Themed transitions
- Countdown videos (30 seconds, 60 seconds, and 5 minutes)

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