



Need to Know:

The Bible Helps Me In Every Situation!

Bible Story:

Proverb of the Ant

Proverbs 6:6-8

Proverb of the Honey

Proverbs 25:16

Proverb of the Lion

Proverbs 28:1b

Materials:

- ⚙ Pullback Race Cars
- ⚙ Bible Story Picture Cards
- ⚙ Safari Slap Bracelets
- ⚙ Notecards
- ⚙ Writing Utensils
- ⚙ Filler Guide

Reminders:

- ⚙ Next week is the Memory Verse reward week! Remind kids to practice the verse at home.
- ⚙ See series Filler Guide for filler activities.

Get Their Attention! (5 min)

Materials: Pullback Race Cars

INTRODUCE yourself & WELCOME kids to church! SAY:

Have you had fun on our African safari? Before we get started today, let's pray together (have kids bow heads & close eyes as you pray):

Dear God, thank you for giving us the Bible. Open our eyes so we can see how your Word can help us in every situation! We love you! Amen.

LET kids send the Pullback Race Cars to each other and ANSWER the following:

What's your name? If you were on a safari, what is a situation you would need help with? (A lion chasing you, building a fire, getting lost, etc.)

INTRODUCE kids to what we are learning today:

- ⚙ **There are probably a lot of situations on a safari where we would need help.**
- ⚙ **There are situations in life where we need help, too. God wants to help us, so He gave us the Bible.**
- ⚙ **Today we Need to Know that The Bible Helps Me In Every Situation!**

REVIEW what we Need to Know today & say it aloud together.

Bible Story (5 min)

Materials: Bible Story Picture Cards

READ "Proverbs" from Bible Story Picture Cards and then ASK:

1. **What does the ant do while no one is watching?** (Works hard)
2. **How can we be like the ants?** (Work hard when no one tells us to)
3. **What did the Bible say happens if you eat too much honey?** (Get sick)
4. **Is it ok to have a little bit of honey?** (Yes – just not too much)
5. **What does it mean to have self-control?** (Stopping before you've had too much of something)
6. **Are lions shy or bold?** (Bold)
7. **If we want to be bold like lions, what does the Bible say we should do?** (We should do what is right)
8. **When are some times you can do what is right?**
9. **When can these verses from the Bible help you?** (Times you feel lazy, times you need to have self-control, times you need to stand up for what is right)
10. **With all the different verses in the Bible, can the Bible help you in EVERY situation?** (Yes)

REPEAT what we Need to Know together one more time.

Application Summary:

Kids will play a game similar to Rock, Paper, Scissors. They will choose Ants, Honey, or Lions. The kids will think of situations when they can work hard, have self-control, and be bold to see that the Bible helps us in every situations.

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Memory Verse:

"Be good to me, your servant, so that I may live to obey your word. Open my eyes so that I can see all the wonderful things in your teachings."

Psalm 119:17-18

Application Activity (10 min)

Materials: Safari Slap Bracelets

1. Allow kids to partner up. (If there is an odd number, leader can play.)
2. Kids will stand back to back.
3. When you count to three, kids will turn around and face each other. They will choose to either be an ANT, HONEY, or LION by choosing one of the following motions:
 - Ant: use forefingers to make feelers on forehead
 - Honey: lick lips
 - Lion: bring hands beside face and bend fingers to look like paws
4. Just like Rock, Paper, Scissors, each thing beats something else:
 - Ant carries away the honey
 - Honey sticks the lion's lips together
 - Lion steps on the ant
5. The winner of each round will share an example of when they could be like the motion they chose. (Work hard like the ant, have self-control like with honey, or be bold like a lion.)
6. Allow the winners to proceed to the next round until there is only one child left. Play again, allowing kids to choose new partners.
7. Reward kids with a **Safari Slap Bracelet** for playing. Tell kids that they can wear these bracelets to remind them to work hard like the ant, half self-control like with honey, and to be bold like lions!

REVIEW by saying:

We learned about a few situations today where the Bible will help us. As we continue to read the Bible, we'll learn that the Bible helps us in EVERY situation!

REPEAT what we Need to Know together one more time.

Wrap It Up (10 min)

Materials: Notecards, Writing Utensils, Filler Guide

MEMORY VERSE:

1. Practice Memory Verse. Remind kids that they will win a prize if they can say the verse by themselves next week!
2. Pass out **Notecards** and **writing utensils**.
3. Allow kids to write the Memory Verse on their notecards. Encourage kids to put the notecards in a place where they will see them every day!
4. As time allows, kids can practice saying the verse with a partner.

DISCUSS the following questions, and then use the **Filler Guide** if needed:

1. **Did you have fun today? What did you learn?**
2. **Was Quinn being a good friend and helping Alex?** (No, he did not help or serve Alex by helping him do his chores)
3. **Like the ants, when was a time that you worked hard without being told?** (Ex. Cleaning room, doing chores)