

Kindergarten-2nd

May 31-June 1, 2014

DATE

Psalm 100

WHERE TO FIND IT

Worship

LESSON TITLE

Worship God by showing him love and gratefulness... or giving him your best.

MAIN POINT

schedule

NEW SCHEDULE FOR TODAY: Connect Time (30 minutes): Five minutes after the service begins, split kids into groups and begin this activity.

Large Group (20 minutes): <u>START</u>
LARGE GROUP AT LEAST 30 MINS
AFTER THE SERVICE TIME

Small Group (10 minutes): Keep kids in small groups until parents arrive. If you *all* have extra time at the end, you can review the video and songs together.

tips

Please notice that today's schedule is different. We are trying a new format just for fun today!

Also, next weekend is Move Up Weekend. Feel free to talk to kids about it and answer any questions.

check-in/out

As kids leave, remind them to tell their parents how they plan to worship God this week.

large group heads up

Today we're talking about worship. We're talking about what it is and how and when we do it. We're reading Psalm 100 to help us understand it. Read Psalm 100 ahead of time and ask the Holy Spirit to help you communicate worship to kids.





connect time

GOAL: Connect Time is all about engaging kids in an activity that allows them to connect with each other right away while simultaneously piquing their curiosity for Large Group and preparing their minds for what they're going to hear.

MAKE SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL

- Let kids choose a partner (or 2)
- Give each kid/group a piece of paper
- Set out an assortment of craft items:
 - Gluesticks
 - Construction paper
 - Scissors
 - o Pipe cleaners
 - Stickers
 - Markers
 - Tissue paper
 - o Etc.
- Give kids this task: Create something beautiful. Pretend you're making a creation for Jesus.
- As kids work, ask them about the best and worst parts of their week
- Take creations to large group.

Then, before you head into Large Group, remind them of your expectations for their behavior: (1) be kind, (2) listen when somebody speaks, and (3) follow the leader's instructions.

All unused craft items will be used for subsequent services





instructions

Goal: Kids will (1) understand what worship is and (2) identify ways and times they can worship

Why? Worship can sound like a big word. Maybe it even sounds "boring." We want kids to start to consider LOTS of ways they can worship.

Tip: Remind kids next weekend is Move Up Weekend. Let them ask you questions!

small group

*Remember, there will be much less time than normal for small group today! The main activity was done during Connect Time.

REVIEW AND DIG DEEPER

Read Psalm 100 again together (find it in the Bible). Then ask kids:

- 1. How can we worship?
 - a. (sing, pray, make something great, tell or show God we love him, thank him, give him our best, etc.; help them come up with ideas like "study hard for a test so I can do my best" or "obey God by being kind to my sister even when she's annoying me." Remind kids that whenever we show God love, it's worship!)
- 2. What's your favorite way to worship? Why? (Have each kid share or they can turn to a friend;)
- 3. When can we worship?
- 4. Where can we worship?
- 5. Does anybody know WHY we worship? (out of love for God, who made everything and can do anything)

ACTIVITY

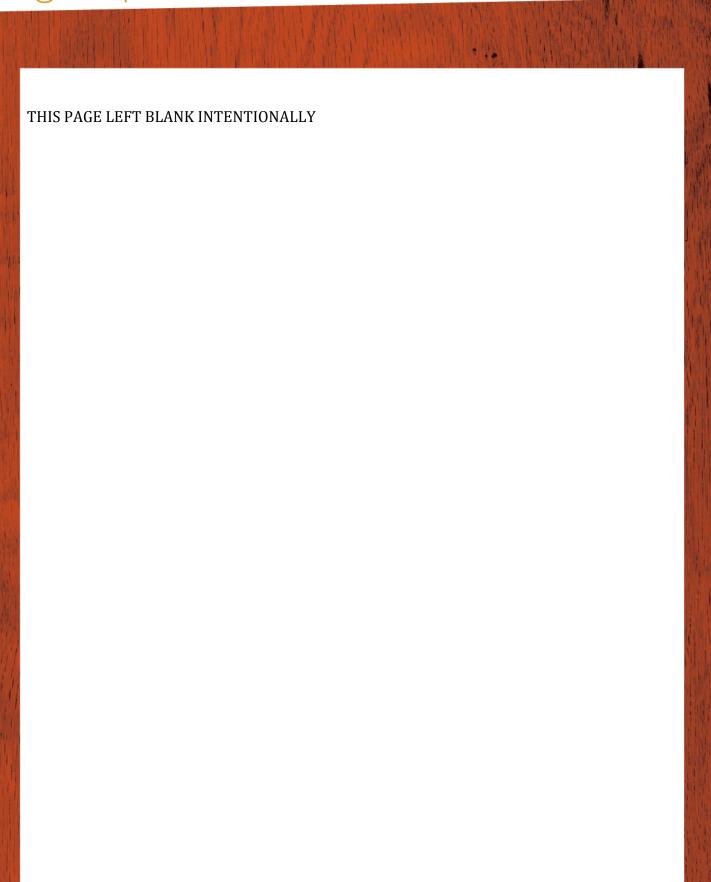
Either as partners or with your help, have kids split up their Connect Time projects; make sure each kid has a part of it.

• Write/draw one way you will worship God this week. Share.

*Pray together, asking him to help us remember to worship him every day this week.

Extra time? Add to your creations or play a group game at your table. Or play a whole-group game of freeze dance!







special notes

THE SCHEDULE FOR TODAY IS DIFFERENT (see page 1). PLEASE START LARGE GROUP **AT LEAST** 30 MINS AFTER THE SERVICE START TIMF!

presenter tips

The songs are all available at CrossroadsKidsClub.net. But you can preview the Worship Bumper here: http://vimeo.com/35441078.

script

*Play the intro music as kids come in. This will become a weekly tradition.

Hi kids! Welcome to Kids' Club. It's great to see you all here. I see you guys have some amazing creations. Will you come up and lay them in the presentation area? (Let kids cover the floor with their art. Walk around and pick up a few pieces, commenting on the colors, the uniqueness, etc.)

Wow, I see some lovely art. Which is cool, because today, we're going to talk about worshiping Jesus. And when we try our best to make something beautiful for Jesus, that's an act of worship. In fact, anytime we give Jesus the best that we have or do something for him the best that we can, it's worship. So you guys all just worshiped Jesus. Pretty cool, huh?!

INTRO: WORSHIP

Worship can be a big word. What comes to your head when you think of worship? (Let kids respond with: singing, praying, etc.) Me too! And we can worship God by singing to him. We can worship him by praying. We can worship him by making a beautiful or cool-looking creation. To WORSHIP God means to show love to God. There are lots of different ways to show love to God.

Today, we're going to just stop and celebrate how good and great God is. We're taking this whole time in Kids' Club to worship him. We'll sing some songs throughout large group, and do some other stuff too. So to start, let's worship all together by singing and dancing, because sometimes it's good to tell God we love him with other people. So everybody stand up!

Video: Celebrate (kids can follow along with the motions of the kids in the video)

WORSHIP WITH SHOUTING AND SONG

Wow, wasn't that fun? I know I loved getting to tell God how good and great he is! Now let's



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look at some verses in Psalms. That's a book of the bible that's full of songs or poetry written to God. As we look at the first couple verses, see if you can figure out WHO should worship:

SLIDE: Psalm 100:1-2 Shout to the LORD with joy, everyone on earth. Worship the LORD with gladness. Come to him with songs of joy.

So who should worship? (Let kids say: Everyone!) That's right. And we can figure out a couple ways to worship or show love to God through these verses. What are they? (Let kids say: come with songs and shout to the Lord.) Yep, one way is by SHOUTING to the Lord. It shows Jesus you want EVERYONE to know how much you love him!

Doesn't it sound kind of fun to shout to the Lord? Let's all shout, "I love you, Jesus" on the count of three. Be loud. Let all of Kids' Club know that we LOVE Jesus. Ready? 1-2-3 "I LOVE YOU, JESUS." Whew, great job!

The other way to worship was by singing him songs, basically coming to him with love songs. You know, our last song we sang together, which was really fun. But sometimes, Jesus wants us to worship alone. So for this song, I want you to spread out. You can lay down or sit, but get comfortable. Listen to this next song and if you want, say the words to Jesus in your heart.

Music Video: I'm Yours

I just love that song. One HUGE way we can tell Jesus we love him is when we tell him we belong to him. Giving him ALL of us is definitely giving him our best.

WORSHIP WITH THANKS

Another way to worship is by giving thanks. Later in Psalm 100, it says this:

SLIDE: Psalm 100:4 Give thanks as you enter the gates of his temple. Give praise as you enter its courtyards. Give thanks to him and praise his name.

Let's hear some of the things YOU guys want to give God thanks for. **Turn and tell a friend about one thing you are thankful for.** It can be anything! (Let kids turn and tell a friend. Then ask a few kids to share. If they share "things" like video games or ipods, that's okay. Point it back to God by reminding them that God gave us minds that can think and create.)

Wow, God is pretty amazing, isn't he?! He created so many great things. And he loves it when we talk to him about how great he is or how great the things he made are, things like our best friend or pet or even our favorite video game.

All the great stuff we like? It comes from God. So we should thank him. And you know what? When we move away from our best friend ...or get in trouble for something we didn't do... or get made fun of, God is still with us. We can even give him thanks in the hard times.

Now we're going to watch a cool music video about how God made everything. As you hear the



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things he made, say "thank you, God" in your head.

Music Video: Whole Wide World (brand new version; have kids sit, stand or lay as you deem appropriate)

What did you guys thank God for? (Let 3-5 kids respond.)

WORSHIP ALL THE TIME

The last thing we're going to talk about is WHEN and WHERE we can worship. Let's look at our verse again. (Click to bring the verse back to the screen.)

Hey, look at all the times we're supposed to give thanks: as we enter the gates of his temple, then as we walk farther in, into the courtyards. That's kind of like saying "Give thanks when you walk inside of Crossroads. Give thanks when you get into your Kids' Club room." Basically, God wants us to give him thanks ALL the time.

We're going to watch a video that shows us WHERE and WHEN we can worship God and give him thanks. As you watch, see if you can find ONE person in the video who does something that you do.

Video: Worship Bumper

So, raise your hand if you saw a person in the video doing something you do. (Let kids respond.) What was it? (Let several kids respond.) Yes, maybe you brush your teeth like the person in the video...or go to school...or play basketball. How do you think you could worship God during that activity? (Let kids say: do your best for God or say thank you to him in that moment, etc.)

That's right, anytime we can thank God for who he is or what he made. Anytime, we could do our best, even if it's brushing our teeth really well or cleaning up a mess that we made.

We're going to talk even more about worship in small group. But for now, let's stand and worship through one more song. This song is all about how Jesus wants us to follow him.

WORSHIP

Song: Come With Me (hand motions)

PRAY

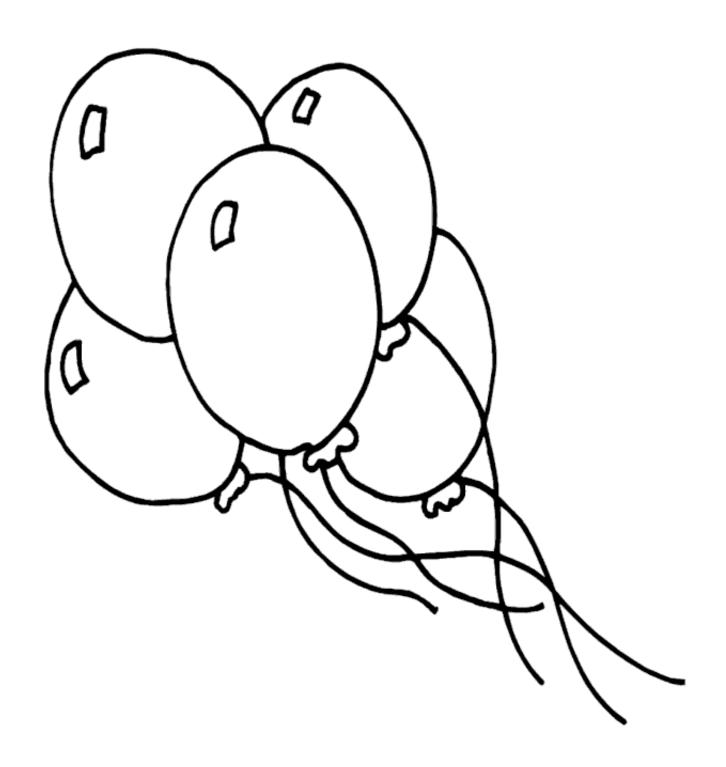
Ask somebody to come and tell God we love him and thank him for all that he has made.

HAVE KIDS TAKE CREATIONS BACK TO SMALL GROUP



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PREP Needs



connect time supplies

Per kid: 1 piece of white paper

Per small group: a random assortment of items such as (but not limited to) these: Markers, Glue sticks,

Scissors, Pieces of construction paper (any color and size), Pieces of tissue paper (any color and size), Stickers (any type), Pipe cleaners, aluminum foil (no tiny pieces in case groups dump them out)

small group supplies

Per group

Markers Adventure Bible for Early Readers (p. 707) keep assortment of craft items from Connect Time return Connect Time creations to kids for small group

Coloring Page: Balloons

large group supplies

Adventure Bible for Early Readers (p. 707)

a/v needs

- Song slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
- 2. Music Video: Celebrate (on Vimeo)
- SLIDE: Psalm 100:1-2 Shout to the LORD with joy, everyone on earth. Worship the LORD with gladness. Come to him with songs of joy.
- 4. Music Video: I'm Yours (Vimeo)
- SLIDE: Psalm 100:4 Give thanks as you enter the gates of his temple. Give praise as you enter its courtyards. Give thanks to him and praise his name.
- Music Video: Whole Wide World (animated version)

- 7. Video: Worship Bumper (http://vimeo.com/35441078; used in 35 on 033014)
- 8. Song: Come With Me (with hand motions)
- Music loop: worship music (Public>KC>KC Video and Tech>Music>KC Prayer Exp Edit)

connect questions

Tell me about worship. What's your favorite way to worship?

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Worshiping God is simply telling him we love him—or showing him we love him by giving him our best. Today, we talked about how, when, and where we can worship. We also looked at part of Psalm 100. Read it together if you want. Ask your child to share ways they like to worship God.