

3rd-5th

May 11-12, 2019

NEED TO KNOW

- Today we're preparing kids and their families for something special happening next week: **On May 18-19, there are NO CROSSROADS SERVICES. Instead, families are doing GO Local, all across their communities!**

LARGE GROUP | 15 Minutes

- Introduce today's big idea, **We can show extreme love** through the story of **Acts**
- Scripture: Book of Acts

GAME TIME | 10 Minutes

- Play an active "Love Your Neighbor" game as one group.

COOL DOWN | 10 Minutes

- Debrief game time, watch a video and discuss in small groups.

LARGE GROUP | 15 Minutes

- Respond to today's big idea through worship and prayer.

SMALL GROUP | 15+ Minutes

- Personally connect with kids and apply the story to their lives by playing Fishbowl (a combination of catchphrase and charades).

LARGE GROUP

GAME TIME

COOL DOWN

LARGE GROUP

SMALL GROUP

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Big Idea: We can show extreme love.

Time: 15 minutes

Supplies: None

EXPECTATIONS

Say: Welcome to Kids' Club, we're so glad to have you here! We want this to be a **safe** and **fun** place for you. To do that, let's all commit to doing a few things:

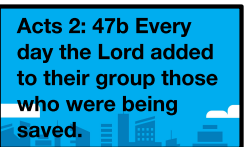
- Show respect to each other
- Listen when someone else is speaking
- Have fun!

THE BIG IDEA | 5 Minutes



- So here's today's big idea.
- **Slide: We can show extreme love.**
- **Say:** Today we're talking about the greatest team we will ever be a part of: the church! Can anyone tell me what you think I mean when I say, "the church"? (Let kids respond.) Yep, it's everyone in God's family! People who are following Jesus, and changing the world.
- **Say:** Let's check out a video and see what the early church was like, back when people first started following Jesus. As you watch, focus on the things that are the same as the church today, but also the things that are *different!*
- **Video: Bible Theatre / Acts**
- **Ask:** So...first of all, did the early believers follow Jesus just by *talking*? (Let kids respond.) No way! They actually DID things to follow Jesus!
- **Ask:** Think about their actions—what stood out to you? (Let kids respond.) They ate together, prayed together, shared their stuff, gave to the poor, and showed love to those who needed it! They also loved to hang out and have fun, just like we do in Kids' Club!

ACTS | 10 Minutes



- **Say:** Because Jesus' followers worked together to actively love the people around them, something pretty awesome happened. Does anyone remember what that is? (Let kids respond.) Let's read a verse from the book of Acts to see:
- **Slide: Acts 2: 47b Every day the Lord added to their group those who were being saved.**
- **Ask:** So what happened? (Let kids respond.) Yep, every day, more and more people became part of God's family. They saw the church working together to show love and serve others, so other people wanted to be a part of the church too! They couldn't resist it!
- **Say:** God's love is BIG. It's extreme. He sent his only son Jesus to die to take the punishment for what we've done wrong, and that was the most extreme love the world has ever seen! So when you're a follower of Jesus, you're part of a team that goes out and shows others what extreme love looks like.

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NEED TO KNOW

Time: 10 minutes

Video: 10-Minute Countdown
Timer

SUPPLIES

- None

PREPARE



10:00

- Start the **10-Minute Countdown Timer**
- Stay in one large group.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR | 10 Minutes

Connect the game to the big idea: We're talking about showing love to people today, and in the Bible, Jesus says to "love our neighbor". Let's play a game to see what that means!

- Have kids sit in a circle and have one kid stand in the middle (you can also have kids sit in chairs if you prefer).
- The person in the middle walks up to someone in the circle and says "Do you love your neighbor?"
- They will then respond something like this:
 - Yes, **ESPECIALLY** people who have brown hair, or
 - Yes, **ESPECIALLY** people wearing red, or
 - Yes.....whatever they choose
- Everyone in the circle who matches that criteria then needs to get up and find a new seat while the person in the middle tries to steal (sit) in someone's seat. The person left standing becomes the new person in the middle.
- The other option is the person can respond "No". If so:
 - The two people either side of them have to switch seats as fast as they can
 - The person in the middle tries to steal one of those seats.

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Time: 10 minutes

Video: Take a Minute / Serve

SUPPLIES

- None

PREPARE



- Stay in one group to watch the video, then split into **small groups**.

SERVE | 10 Minutes

As one whole group:

- **Debrief game time:** What was wrong with game? Did it match up with how Jesus told us to love EVERYONE? (Let kids discuss, and talk about who and how we should love others, no matter who they are.)
- **Say:** As we watch another video, imagine what you could do to serve someone, and show them what God's love is like.
- **Video:** [Take a Minute / Serve](#)

Break into small groups and discuss the video:

- Did anyone think of some ideas of how you could serve, and go show the world what Jesus is like? (Let kids respond.)
- Can you think of ways that Jesus showed extreme love to others? How did he do it? Who did he show love to?



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Big Idea: We can show extreme love.

Time: 15 minutes

Supplies: Large sheet of tear off paper, markers, sticky notes, masking tape

PRESENTER TIPS

Need to “calm” kids down? Take a quick stretch break at any point during teaching! Have them stretch their arms as high as they can, give themselves a tight hug, lay down and put their feet in the air, or just take a few deep, long breaths.

THE BIG IDEA | 5 Minutes



- **Play the 10-Second Countdown Timer** to help direct kids attention as you begin Large Group.
- **(Click to show Big Idea slide) We can show extreme love.**
- **Ask:** So now the question is....how can WE show EXTREME love to the world? What can we do in our everyday lives to act like the early believers did?! And not just by telling others about it, but by DOING it?
- **Say:** There’s something pretty cool happening next week, and it’s the perfect way for you to be part of a team that goes out in the world, and shows love in BIG ways.
- **Say:** Next week, May 18-19 there will be NO Kids’ Club or Crossroads services. Instead, we’re all going to do GO Local! Has anyone ever heard of Go Local before? (Let kids respond.)
- **Say:** It’s going to be an chance for us, the CHURCH, to work together, and to show extreme love to our community! Let’s check out a video to see:
- **Video: [Go Local](#)**
- **Say:** This is what the church looks like: people coming together and showing God’s love through action. Not just by talking, but by DOING. So make sure to ask your family if you can join GO Local. You can even invite your friends to join you, even if they don’t come to Crossroads!

RESPOND AND WORSHIP | 10 Minutes

Tape a large sheet of tear-off paper on a wall, and hand out markers and sticky notes.



- **Say:** Now we’re going to give you a chance to think of *your own* ideas. Think about what you heard in the video about the early believers, and about what you saw in that GO Local video.
- **Say:** Let’s watch a music video, and as you watch, try to think of one specific way that you want to show EXTREME love this week: one way that you can show God’s love through action. Once you’re ready, write it down on your sticky note, and come stick it on this paper, so we can all see your ideas!
- **[Music Video: Witness](#)**
- **Pray:** Ask somebody to ask God to help us look for opportunities to shock people with extreme love this week.
- **[Extra Music Video \(Optional\): We Lift You Higher](#)**

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CONNECTION QUESTION

Go around the group and let every kid answer this question:

If you had \$1000 to do something kind for someone, what would you do?

SUPPLIES

- Set of 16 game phrases (reused)
- Paper bag
- Markers

KNOW IT | 5 minutes

- Tell me about the early church. How did they show extreme love to others?
- What was surprising about how the early church worked together as a team?
- How has God shown us extreme love? How has he served us?
- Has anyone ever shown you or your family love in a special way?
- Have you (or your family) ever shown love to someone in a unique way?
- Have you ever done Go Local? What did you do? How did you feel doing it?

DO IT | 10 Minutes

- Put the **16 game phrases in your paper bag** Don't read these to the kids ahead of time. *Some of these are related to the big idea, some of them are just for fun.
- Now play a game of **Fishbowl!** (It's like three games in one, and it's alright if you can only make it through one or two rounds. Even if kids are being picked up while you play, you can keep playing with the remaining kids. Each round will use (and reuse) the same slips of paper.)
- Each person will take a slip from the bag and try to get teammates to guess the action written on the paper by following the directions below. Once the group has guessed, quickly pass the bag with slips to the next person to have him/her try. Here are the rules for each round:
 - **Round 1:** Catch Phrase—use any words to get the team to guess your phrase, EXCEPT the words on your paper.
- The group leader should **keep time** to see how long it takes to finish the round. When you finish one round, put all of the papers back in the bag and play the next round with the rules for round 2 and then round 3.
 - **Round 2:** Charades—use actions only, no sounds. Remember, these are with the SAME slips of paper so they will be familiar.
 - **Round 3:** Keywords—this time, the person can only say ONE word as a clue, but it can't be a word on their card. (Remember, they have gone through all of the phrases twice already from previous rounds. At this point, the game is partially a memory game.)
- If this seems too challenging for your small group, just play rounds 1 and/or 2.

EXTRA TIME?

- Give kids **a maze, or a word-search activity sheet** to work on until their parents pick them up.



connect questions

Big Idea: We can show extreme love. Tell me about "Acts".

lesson supplies

LARGE GROUP

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Adventure Bible	1 per large group, reused	Biblesbythe Case.com	site
Large sheet of tear off paper	1 piece per room		site
Markers	1 per kid		site
Sticky notes	2 per kid		KC National
Masking tape	1 roll per room, reused		site

GAME TIME | Played in one large group

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
None			

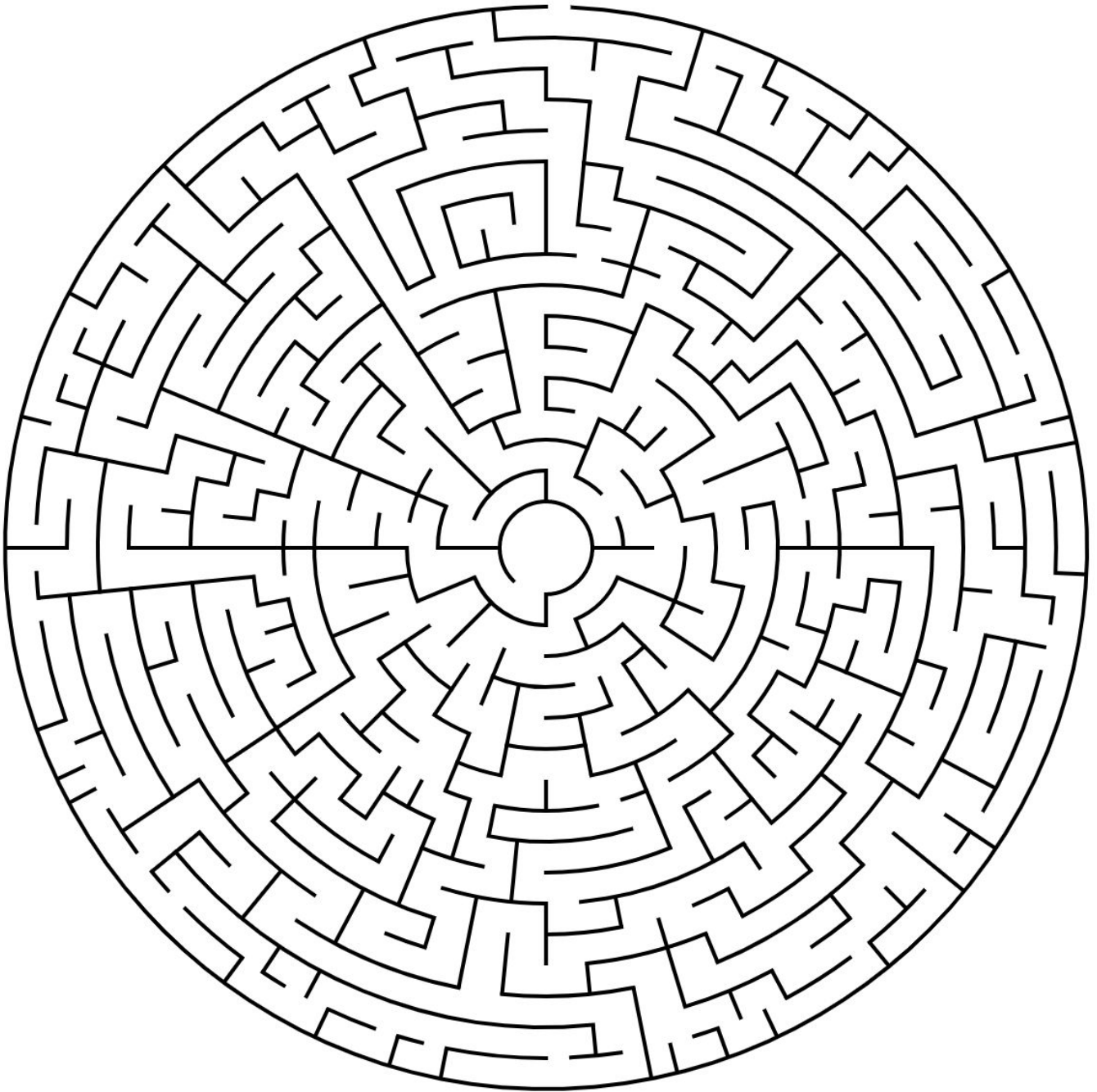
COOL DOWN TIME | Played in small groups

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
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SMALL GROUP

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Maze sheet - Acts	Quantity determined by site.	8.5x11 paper, black & white, Page 8	site
Word search sheet - Acts	Quantity determined by site.	8.5x11 paper, black & white, Page 9	site
Markers	1 set per group		site
Set of game phrases	1 set of 16 cards per group, reused	8.5x11 cardstock, black & white, cut into quarter sheets, Pages 10-13	site
Paper bag	1 per group, reused	Lunch size	KC National

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ACTS
PAUL
APOSTLE
PETER
HELP
SERVE
LOVE
COMMUNITY

Show extreme love

The Early Church

Help with family chores

Take out the trash

Go Local

**Invite someone to Kids'
Club**

**Write a nice card for
someone**

Smile

Hug someone

Share

Play video games

**Help someone with their
homework**

Ride a bike

Play board games

Play basketball

Paint a picture

A/V needs

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1. KC Logo Slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
2. Slide: We can show extreme love. (Type in large, bold font so it fills up the screen)
3. Video: Bible Theatre / Acts: The Early Church (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rms6KePjIz8>)
4. Slide: Acts 2: 47b Every day the Lord added to their group those who were being saved.
5. Video: New 10-Minute Timer (KC/SM media videos songs>videos>countdowns)
6. Video: Take a Minute / Serve (<https://youtu.be/ssqQas9ifbg>)
7. Video: 10 Second Countdown_insert date
8. Slide: We can show extreme love. (Type in large, bold font so it fills up the screen)
9. Video: Go Local (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l5Dnp1Y1Slo>)
1. Music Video: Witness (<https://youtu.be/wgD92xLINGs>)
2. Extra Music Video (Optional): We Lift You Higher (https://youtu.be/pUWo2S_eYzk)