



# 3PK

Sep 28-29, 2019

## NEED TO KNOW

- It's Week 3 of the Journey, and today is all about Esther, and how she obeyed God as part of her purpose!

## FREE PLAY | 15 Minutes

- Check kids into the room and personally connect with them through free play.

## GET READY | 5 Minutes

- Clean up and introduce the big idea: We can obey God!

## LARGE GROUP | 20 Minutes

- Hear about Esther and how she obeyed God, and worship through songs and prayer!

## CONNECT TIME | 15+ Minutes

- Personally connect with kids as they eat a snack.
- Play with kids through guided play-based activities!

**GET READY**

LARGE GROUP

CONNECT TIME

### CLEAN UP TIME | 1 Minute

- **Begin clean up about 15 minutes into service.** The presenter will give you a 5 minute warning before Large Group starts.
- **Say:** It's clean up time! Let's all clean up as FAST we can while I count down from 10 to 1. Ready, set....go!
- Slowly countdown from 10 to 1 until kids have cleaned up toys. Then circle up on the floor, or line up at the door.

### GET READY! | 5 Minutes

- While in line, tell kids we have a lot of characters to remember. Let's practice:
  - Queen Esther (touch your head, as if there's a crown on it)
  - Uncle Mordecai (smile and give a thumbs up; he's a nice guy)
  - Haman (make an angry face; he's a mean man)
  - The King (pump your muscles; he's in charge)
- Repeat as many times as you can before you head to Large Group!

**Transition to Large Group:** Now let's get ready to hear about how this story in Large Group! Line up at the door, and let's go sit on the big carpet.

## WELCOME AND H.O.P.S. | 5 Minutes

- **Say:** Hey everyone, I'm so glad to see you! Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS. She's going to show us how we can act in Kids' Club!
- **Video: HOPS Share with others! (fall theme)**
- **Say:** Does everyone have your listening ears on tight? Then let's get started!

## REVIEW GOD'S STORY | 5 Minutes



- **(Hold up the Bible.)** This is God's story. Out of ALL the stories in the world, this is the most important. Do you know what it's called? (The Bible!) It's God's Rescue plan! It shows us how He rescued us from all the wrong things in the world.



- **(Make a big round "world" with your arms)** In the beginning, God made the whole world and everything in it, and it was GOOD. Let's all say, "It was good!"



- **(Pretend to swim in the water)** God made all the water in the oceans, and rivers, and lakes. Let's pretend to swim in the water!



- **(Pat the "dirt" on the ground)** God made all the dirt and trees and flowers. Let's pat the ground and feel the dirt in our hands! Now put your arms up and be a tree!



- **(Pretend to fly and tweet like a bird)** God made all kinds of animals, like birds! Let's pretend to flap our wings and fly like a bird!



- **(Hold up two fingers)** Then God made two people: Adam and Eve. They got to live in a beautiful garden, and walk and talk with God. And it was GOOD.



- **(Make a "ssss" sound and pretend to be a snake)** But THEN, something very, VERY sad happened. A snake tricked Adam and Eve, and they disobeyed God. Then, all the wrong things came into the world, like sickness, and sadness and death. Show me your sad face.



- **(Put your hands on your heart)** Even though Adam and Eve disobeyed God, God loved them anyway! He planned a great rescue so that Adam and Eve, and you and me, could be close to God again! Do you know who the Rescuer is? (Let kids say: Jesus!)

## WORSHIP | 5 Minutes



- **Say:** Let's celebrate that Jesus loves us so much by worshipping him! That means we sing and dance and tell him how much we love him. Everybody stand up and sing as loud as you can!
- [Music Video: Wiggle Worm](#)
- [Music Video: I Just Want to Thank You](#)

## THE BIG IDEA | 1 Minute



- **Say:** Today we'll see how we can obey God! Say these words and do these motions with me: **We Can Obey God!**
- Now let's all whisper "**We Can Obey God!**" Ready? 1, 2, 3...(let kids whisper and do motions)
- Now let's all shout, "**We Can Obey God!**" Ready? 1, 2, 3...(let kids shout and do motions)

## TELL THE STORY | 10 Minutes

- **Say:** Today, we're going to hear the story of how God used a girl named Esther to save his family! **Let's say, "Esther!"** Esther's parents died when she was a kid, so she grew up with her cousin, a good guy named Mordecai. **Let's say, "Mordecai!"**
- **Say:** Esther and Mordecai were both in God's special family! **Good job! Smile and put your thumbs up!**
- **Say:** But there is a really strong King (**pump your muscles**) in this story, and he's not a part of God's family. Neither is a really mean guy named Haman (**make an angry face**). The good news is, God had a very special plan for Esther to save his family, just like God has a very special plan for each of you guys!
- **Say:** We're going to watch a video of the special plan God had for Esther. As you watch, see if you can figure out how God used Esther to save his family. If you want to do the hand motions for each character, follow along with me!
- **Video: God's Story / Esther**
- **Say:** Wow, what an amazing story! So Esther got chosen to be queen—as a little girl, she never could have imagined that. And even though she could have died, she asked the king to save God's family. And he did! God had a plan for Esther to save his family.
- **Say:** Esther was a part of God's family and God had a special plan for her. But we don't have to be kings and queens to do God's plans. (Get out the mirror.) God has a special plan for each and every one of YOU. (Start walking through the crowd.) Everybody say, "God has a plan for me!" and point to yourself. (Let kids say: God has a plan for me.)



## PRAY AND WORSHIP | 5 Minutes



- **Say:** Now it's time to pray to God. When we pray, that means we talk to him, and he actually LISTENS to us, and hears our words! So let's talk to God right now. Close your eyes, and say these words after me.
- **Pray:** Hi God! Thanks that you had a plan for Esther. Thanks that you have a plan for me. I love you. Aaaaaa-MEN.
- **Set up worship:** Let's show God how thankful we are by worshipping him! Everybody stand up, and get ready to sing and dance!
- [Music Video: Whole Wide World](#)

**Transition to Connect Time:** Now we're going to go do story time in our rooms. Tip toe like a quiet little mouse and line up by your leader!

GET READY

LARGE GROUP

CONNECT  
TIME

## SUPPLIES

- Crown template (1 per kid)
- Jewel stickers (3 per kid)
- Tape
- Markers
- “Made for a purpose” sticker (1 per kid)

## STORY TIME | 20+ minutes

- Who was the queen in today’s story? (Esther)
- What did Esther do to try to save God’s family? (She talked to the king, even though she could die; she asked the king to two dinners and told him about Haman’s law.)
- Did the king hurt God’s family? (No, Esther saved them!)
- Did God have a special plan for Esther? Does God have a special plan for US? (Point at each kid; have kids say “God has a plan for me.”)

## SNACK TIME | 5 minutes



- **Pass out graham crackers or goldfish, and let kids eat at tables.** This is a time to personally connect with kids and find out about their day, not just focusing on the story.
- **Ask things like:** What did you do today? Who brought you to Kids’ Club? What’s your favorite (blank)?

## CREATE AND PAY | 5 minutes

### Let’s make a crown, just like Queen Esther wore!

- **Say:** We’re going to make crowns to remind us of Queen Esther’s story. But WE get to wear these crowns to remind us that God has a plan for US just like he had a plan for Queen Esther.
- Give each kid a **crown, 5 jewel stickers and markers or crayons.**
  - Let them color and decorate the crown and add the jewel stickers.
  - Younger kids might need to be shown how to peel the back off the stickers.
  - Help them attached the crown around their head. Use the tape if needed to help form the crown.
- As kids work, keep reminding them that God had a plan for Queen Esther and God has a plan for them!
- Give each kid a **“made for a purpose” sticker** and tell kids that **God has a plan for us!**

- Keep kids engaged until parent pick up by giving them a **coloring sheet or activity sheet** to work on!



## connect questions

Big Idea: Tell me about Esther. Are we part of God's plan?

## lesson supplies

### GET READY | Played in one large group

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
None			

### LARGE GROUP

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Jesus Storybook Bible	1 per large group, reused	<a href="http://BiblesbytheCase.com">BiblesbytheCase.com</a>	site

### CONNECT TIME

Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Coloring sheet - Esther	Quantity determined by site.	8.5x11 paper, black & white, Page 7	site
Activity sheet	Quantity determined by site.	8.5x11 paper, black & white, Page 8	site
Markers or Crayons	Quantity determined by site		site
Scotch tape	Quantity determined by site		site
Crown	1 per kid	<a href="http://OrientalTrading.com">Oriental Trading</a>	KC Site Support
Jewel stickers	5 per kid	<a href="http://OrientalTrading.com">Oriental Trading</a>	KC Site Support
Sticker- "Made for a Purpose"	1 per kid	Color, Page 9, Avery template 5294	site

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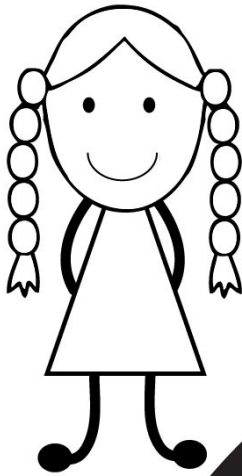
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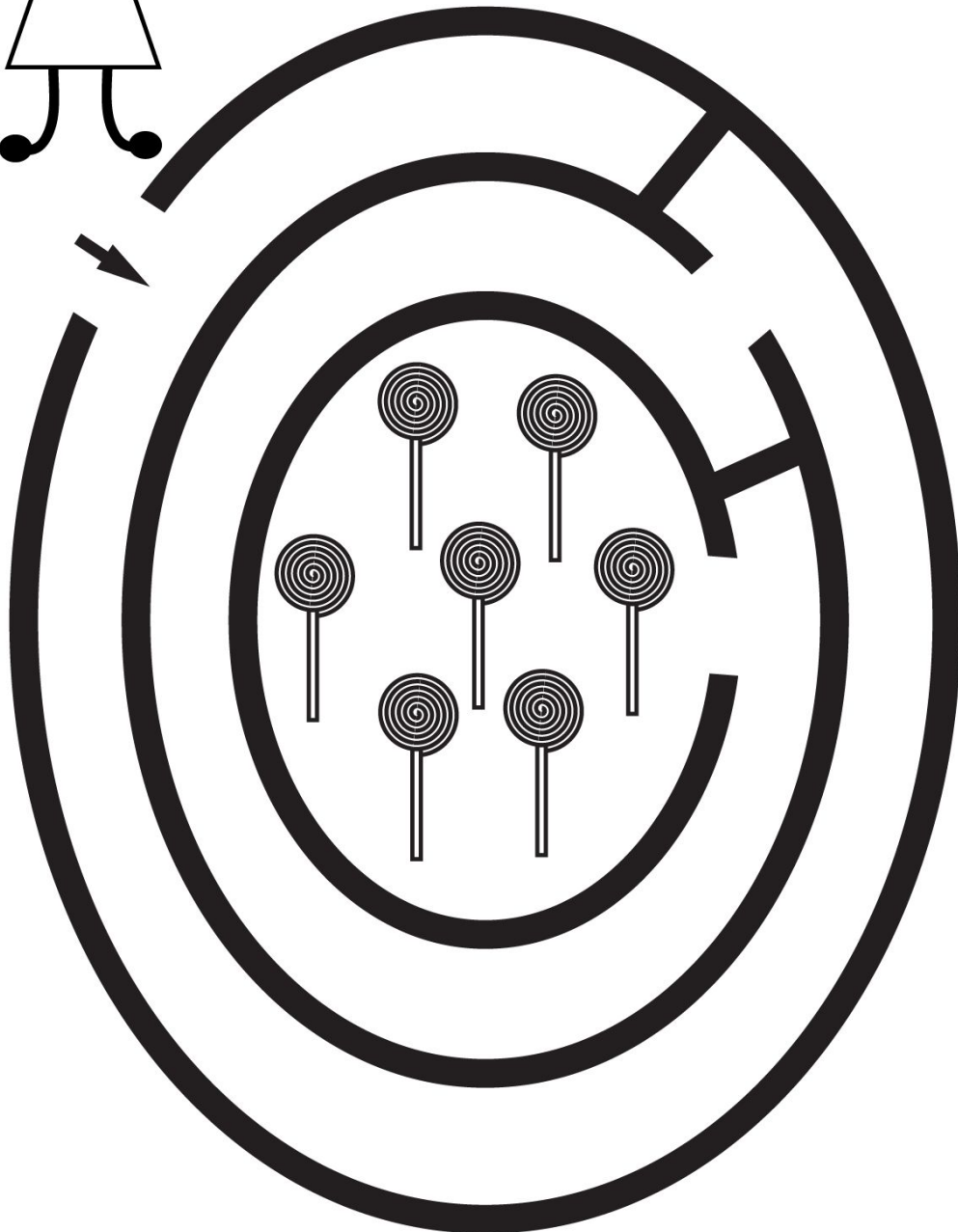


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# A/V needs

## Preschool



1. Song slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
2. Video: HOPS Share with others! (fall theme)  
[Music Video: Wiggle Worm](#)
3. [Music Video: I Just Want to Thank You](#)
4. [Video: God's Story / Esther](#)
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