

ITOWNKIDS

Hello ITOWN Church Family!

Thank you for participating in Home Church this weekend. Inside this document you will find all of the materials needed to pull off an incredible ITOWN Kids worship experience for your kiddos.

What's Inside?

Preschool - Kindergarten Curriculum

- Lesson Plan
- Main Point
- Theme Verse
- Craft Sheet
- Take Home Sheet

ITOWN Kids Curriculum (1st through 5th grade)

- Service Flow & Object Lesson: This is for you to review and follow along.
- Main Point
- Theme Verse
- Small Group Questions: Gather your kids together at the end of the video to discuss.

How to Access the Videos?

Go to itownchurch.com/homechurch, click on your age group and follow along!

If you have any questions, please email miley@itownchurch.com.

Love,
The ITOWN Kids Team

Psalm 75:1

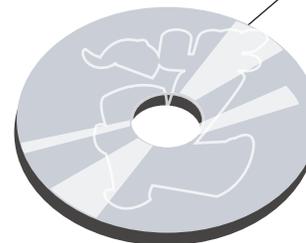
Our God, we thank you for being so near to us! Everyone celebrates your wonderful deeds.

Bible Story

God is with David in the dark
1 Samuel 24:1-7, Psalm 57

Today's Doodad

A candle



Schedule

Conversation Stations/Check-In
Countdown
Lil' K Program
Group Activity Time
Craft Time
Snack Time
Review Time
Conversation Stations/Check-Out

Review Time

Gather the children and use the Review Cards to recap the story and apply the lesson to their lives. End with prayer.

1. God is always here and near.
2. God is with me wherever I go.
3. Does God know where I am?

Conversation Stations

Sit with the children during Conversation Station time and discuss the three Connection Questions.

Conversation Station Options:

1. Giant Road Playmat with Cars
2. Construction Play
3. Lacing Cards
4. Books

Connection Questions:

1. Can you show me a happy face? A sad face? An afraid face?
2. What is something that makes you feel happy? Sad?
3. Do you know that God loves you when you are happy and sad?



Option #1 – FLASHLIGHT HIDE AND GO SEEK

What you need: flashlight

What you do: Choose one child to hold the flashlight, and have him cover his eyes while the other children find a place to hide in the classroom. Once all of the children are hidden, dim the lights and the child with the flashlight will search for the other children. Repeat with a different child if desired.

What you say: *Today in our story we learned about David hiding in the cave. Who was he hiding from? What do you think he was feeling while he hid in the cave? Was God near to David? God is near to us too, no matter what we are feeling.*

Option #2 – IS GOD NEAR?

What you need: nothing

What you do: Have the children sit in a big circle on the floor. Choose a child to show an emotion on her face – happy, sad, angry, afraid, etc. The children can guess what the emotion is, and then tell when they might feel that way. The teacher then asks the children, “Is God near when you feel _____ (happy, sad, etc.)?” They all say, “Yes!” Choose another child and repeat.

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Option #3 – WHO IS HIDING?

What you need: parachute, large sheet or blanket

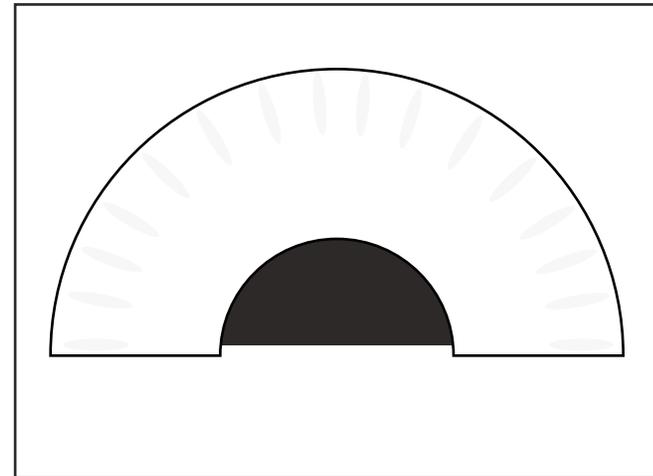
What you do: Have the children sit around the blanket/parachute and close their eyes. A teacher will quietly choose one child to hide underneath the blanket/parachute. After the child is hidden, the other children can open their eyes and guess who is hiding. Repeat until all children have had a turn.

What you say: *Today in our story we learned about David hiding in the cave. Who was he hiding from? As we took turns hiding under the blanket today, did God know where you were? God is always near and he always knows where you are.*

David in the Cave

Supplies:

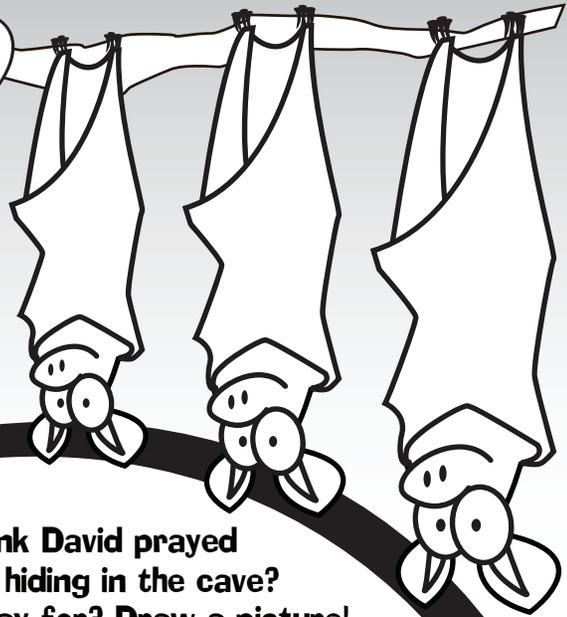
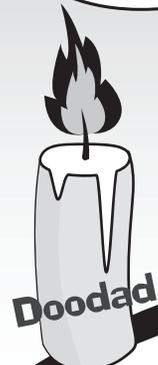
- paper plates (one per child)
- scissors
- markers or crayons
- stapler



Directions:

1. Cut the paper plate in half.
2. Take one of the halves and cut out a semi-circle from the flat edge, making it look like an entrance to a cave.
3. On the other half of the paper plate write, “God is with David in the dark!” (leaving the cut edge on the bottom).
4. Have the children color the cave with markers and crayons, and draw David inside.
5. Staple the two halves together around the curved edge, leaving the flat edge unstapled. Pull the open side apart slightly and let it stand.

COLOR
These cute
cave bats!



Do you think David prayed
when he was hiding in the cave?
What can you pray for? Draw a picture!



MAP BOOK

Episode #4



1 Samuel 24:1-7
Psalm 57

David hides in a cave

David had a brave heart because he knew that God was with him. He defeated the mighty giant Goliath! The army shouted, "David is great!" The people shouted, "David is great!" King Saul shouted, "David is great!"

As news of his mighty deeds spread through the land, people loved David more and more. They loved him so much, they thought he was the greatest ever. The army shouted, "David is the greatest!" The people shouted, "David is the greatest!"

This really made King Saul mad! He said, "I'm the King! I should be the greatest! Not David!"

King Saul tried not to think about David, but when he did, he got mad. He got so mad he threw a spear at David. David had to run away and hide. Finally he found a cave, and there in the darkness David waited. David talked to God about how he was feeling. "God, I am kind of afraid. The King wants to kill me, but I know you are near. You are near, and you will keep me safe. I know you love me so much it could fill up the whole world all the way to the skies!"

David was hiding where no one could find him. But God knew where he was. David knew that God was here and near.

Application
POINTS

God is always here and near.
God is with me wherever I go.
Does God know where I am?

Can you find Lil' K?

Practice the remember verse with Mom or Dad. Make up hand motions to go along with it.

Remember Verse:
Psalm 75:1

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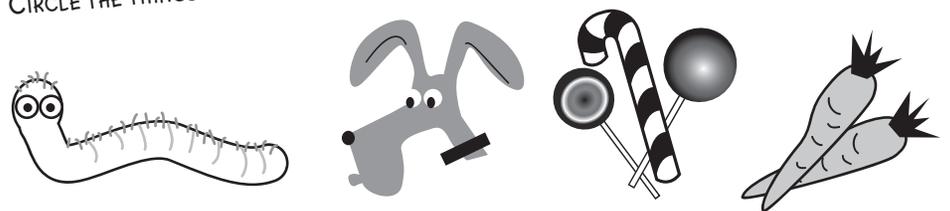
WHERE DID DAVID HIDE? CHECK THE BOX!



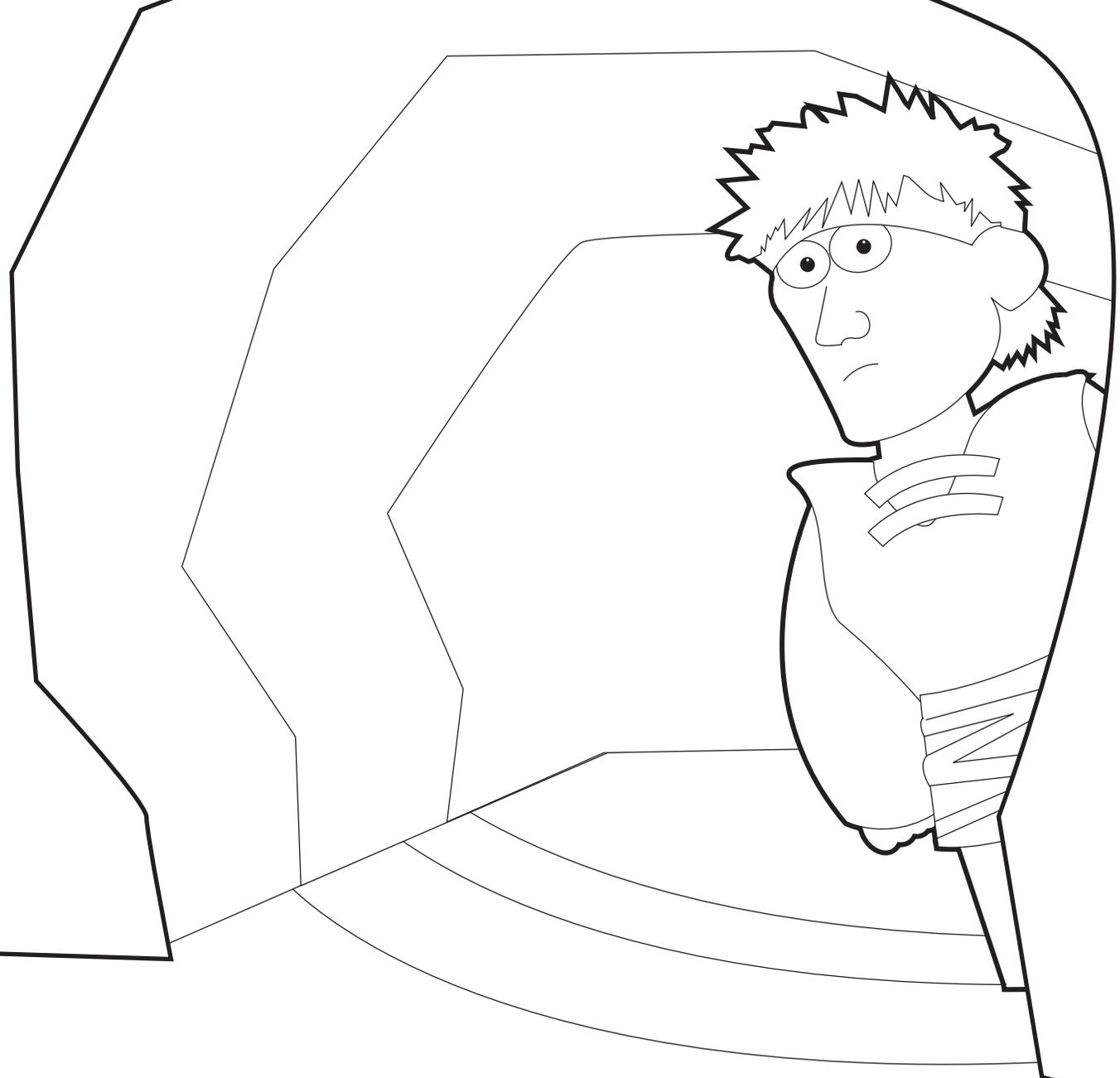
KING SAUL WAS MAD THAT EVERYONE LOVED DAVID. CIRCLE THE FACE THAT LOOKS MAD.



CIRCLE THE THINGS THAT START WITH THE LETTER "C".



David hides from King Saul



God is Everywhere
Episode 4
1 Samuel 24:1-7

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Learn it: Our main point this weekend was: **I trust God, instead of worrying.** Sometimes worry seems like it is all around us, but the Bible reminds us that God is bigger than the things that worry us. When we turn to God with our worries He gives us comfort and peace.

Talk it: Discuss as a family some things that can worry you, talk about it, acknowledge it, and practice giving it away to God. Talk about different Bible verses or stories that remind you how good and trustworthy God is.

Live it: Our scripture verse for this week's lesson is 1 Peter 5:7 "Give all your worries to God, for He cares about you." Sometimes this is easier said than done. To live this message out create a "God jar" of your own. Whenever something worries you, write it down and put it in the God jar. It is no longer yours to worry about because you gave it to God!

Pray it: Pray as a family for the things that worry you. Pray for those in our country and around the world who are experiencing fear and worry. Pray that God's peace would come to all those who are afraid. Pray that God would give you boldness to trust Him even in scary situations!

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Main Point: I trust God, instead of worrying

Bible Story: 1 Peter 5:7 "Give all your worries and cares to God, for He cares about you.",

By the end of this lesson the children should...

- We should give all our worries to God!
- God puts things into our lives that we can make better, and He puts things into our lives that can help us trust Him. There are some things only He can handle!

I PRAY: (Open small group with a prayer similar to the one below.)

Dear God,

Thank you for forgiving us of the wrong things we do. Help us give all our worries to you and trust that you will take care of them!

In Jesus' Name,
Amen!

After prayer, be sure to pass out prayer request cards and allow kids to write down the requests.

LITTLE QUESTION: (Choose which question fits your small group best.)

- Would you rather have a pet elephant, or a pet lion?
- Would you rather eat a caterpillar, or kiss a toad?

BIG WORD: (Read aloud, to your kids, the verses from the Bible if time permits.) **Matthew 6:25-34**

THE BIG QUESTIONS: (Small group discussion questions)

1. **What do you think most people worry about?** (answers vary)
2. **When you feel worried, what does it make you think about?** (answers vary)
3. **What's true: What God says, or what worries make you think about?**
(What God says)
4. **What truths do you know about God that make you worry less?** (He's in control, He loves you, He is more powerful than anything else, He created a plan for your life)
5. **How can trusting God help you when you feel worried?** (Your worries go away, He comforts you, you can move on from your worries, you can help others not worry)
6. **How will you give your worries to God this week?** (answers vary)
7. **What can you do if you get worried about the same thing after you've already prayed about it?** (Give it to God again and again, as many times as you need to. He never gets tired of hearing from you)

I SPEAK: (Ask kids to repeat after you.)

I trust God, instead of worrying