WEEK 2
SMALL GROUP GUIDE

UNUSUAL

THE BIG IDEA

God gives unexplainable joy.

THE BIBLE

David Dances Before the Ark:
I Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19; (I Peter 1:8-9)

QUESTIONS

- **What did David summon his troops to get?**
- **Why was the Ark of the Covenant so important to David?**
- **How did David respond when the ark finally arrived in the city?**
- **Read I Peter 1:8-9. Do we need to be able to see God in order to feel the love of God?**
- **What makes you happy?**
- **What is the difference between happiness and joy?**
- **How can we get unexplainable joy?**

ACTIVITY

Instruct the kids to decorate their Boxes of Joy printable with the materials provided. Have them create their own unique animal on the box to go along with the theme of the series. As they build and decorate their boxes, pass out a few strips of paper and encourage the kids to write things that bring them joy. Tell the kids to place the strips in their boxes and look at them during the week.

We have written down some things that bring us joy. But our joy should not just stay inside our boxes and kept to ourselves . . . we can spread joy! Remind yourself throughout the week that **God gives unexplainable joy**, and find ways to share that joy with others!

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH: Isaiah 55:8 (NIV)

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord.

*Looking for sign language? Go to **growcurriculum.org/Isaiah55-8** and get memorizing!*

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