

# **Small Group Leader Guide**

# FEAR WEEK 3 WHAT WILL PEOPLE DO?

# **Small Group Welcome**

- 1. **Introduce** yourself, and **welcome** new kids by name.
- 2. Kids **share** what happened during the past week.
- 3. Check up on the past week's prayer requests and events.
- 4. **Discuss** the Welcome Question: *How would you trap a mouse?*

# **Small Group Activity**

#### You'll Need

- Small crosses (3 per child)
- Bucket (1 per group)

#### To Do

**Say:** A lot of people are afraid to share Jesus because they don't know how people will act about it. But don't let the fear of people trap you and keep you from doing what God made you to do! Let's think of ways to share Jesus, no matter what!

- Place bucket in center of group.
- 2. Give each kid 3 crosses to hold.
- 3. Kids **brainstorm** ways they can share Jesus with others.
- 4. When kids have an idea, they **toss** a cross into the bucket. If kids need examples, use **Share Jesus** list.
- If time allows, give the crosses back to the kids and let them share more ideas.
- 6. **Collect** crosses and buckets so kids don't take them home. They will be reused if there's an experience after yours.

#### **Share Jesus**

Did you know Jesus loves you?

I'd love to take you to church with me.

Can I pray with you? I believe God hears our prayers.

Do you believe in Jesus? I do, and I love Him a lot.

Would you like to read the Bible with me?

#### While Kids Work

**Ask:** Why do you think it was hard for Luke to decide to join the Konnect crew? *He was afraid of what his friends and family would think.* 

Vintage Konnect Trivia: Which Konnect crew member tried to babysit a real baby on Konnect Station? *Alissa* 

### **Small Group Discussion**

Say the Point and Verse out loud together:

I R.O.B. fear of its power when I live only for God.

#### Proverbs 29:25 NLT

Fearing people is a dangerous trap, but trusting the LORD means safety.

- 1. What does the Bible say about fearing people? It's a dangerous trap.
- 2. How does fearing people trap us? It gets us to make wrong choices or keeps us from doing things God wants us to do.

#### Choose a few review questions:

- 1. What is the one thing fear is afraid of? God's truth
- 2. The Point says you can R.O.B. fear of its power. What do the R, O, and B stand for? R: remember God's truth. O: open your mouth to say God's truth. B: battle it out by doing what you're afraid to do.
- 3. Why do you think it's hard to trust God and obey Him when other people tell us not to? Answers will vary.
- 4. What are some things you're worried people might do if you do what God wants instead of what they want? Answers will vary.
- 5. Why is it better to trust God than to fear people? You CAN always trust God to love, forgive, help, and care about you, but you CAN'T always know how people are going to act.

#### Choose an action-step question:

- 1. If people aren't being kind to you because you're obeying God, what will you do? Talk to God about it, talk to a friend who loves God, say the Bible verse to yourself, etc.
- What is one thing you'll do this week to obey God that you're usually afraid people will make fun of you for? Answers will vary.

#### Pray together:

- 1. Ask kids to share things they would like you to pray about.
- Write down their prayer requests.
- Pray together over all the prayer requests. Give kids a chance to lead the prayer if they want to.

Not sure what to pray? Pray this: God, remind us every day that it's better to live only for You. I thank You that we can trust in You, even when we're afraid of what people might do. In Jesus' name, amen!

Stay in your Small Group until kids are checked out.

#### **Check Out**

- Continue talking, let kids play game again, and talk about the points kids earn when they bring back the Challenge Card.
- 2. When a kid from your Small Group leaves, use the kid's name to **share** something positive and specific with their family.
- 3. **Encourage** families to complete the Challenge Card together.