

K-5 | W1

Today's Suggested Schedule—July 2026, Week 1

Bible Story: The Story of the Farmer • *Matthew 13:1-23*

Bottom Line: God's kingdom grows when you hear and do what He says.

Monthly Memory Verse: *God's kingdom is not about eating or drinking. It is about doing what is right and having peace and joy. All this comes through the Holy Spirit.* • Romans 14:17 NIV

Loud sounds, bright lights, and large groups can be overwhelming or overstimulating for some children. To create a more inclusive large group experience, consider offering adaptive tools like noise-canceling headphones, sunglasses, sensory-friendly items, or access to modified spaces.

Prelude: Setting the Tone for the Experience

See the **Getting Ready** pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you'll need for today.

In the **Prelude** folder of your curriculum, you'll find a variety of other resources to help you prepare.

Small Group (15 minutes)

Social: Providing Time for Fun Interaction

Opening Activity

Large Group (35 minutes)

Story: Communicating God's Truth in Engaging Ways

Worship: Inviting People to Respond to God

Opener

Worship

Bible Story

Prayer

Small Group (25 minutes)

Groups: Creating a Safe Place to Connect

Bible Story Review: Act It Out (K–1st grade), Don't Throw the Ball (2nd–3rd grade), Bible Story Extension and Discussion Questions (Preteen)

Application Activity: Growing Straw Wrappers (K–1st grade), What Kind of Soil Are You? (2nd–3rd grade), Take a Snapshot (Preteen)

Memory Verse Activity: Memory Verse Motions (K–1st grade), Illustrate the Story (2nd–3rd grade), Verses to Take with You (Preteen)

Prayer Activity: Pray and Dismiss (K–1st grade, 2nd–3rd grade), Make It Personal with Prayer (Preteen)

Home: Prompting Action Beyond the Experience

Parent Cue Card (Print or Email)

Devotionals for Kids

Parent Cue App



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5 min

Large Group Opener

5 min

Opener

What You Need

No supplies needed

Setting the Tone for the Experience

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What You Say:

OPENER

HOST: "Hey, everybody! Welcome to [Environment Name]! Can you believe we're already this far into summer break? We've got long days, sunshine, swimming, popsicles, and late bedtimes. I'm so glad you're spending part of your summer right here with us!

"Is it just me, or does everything feel a little sillier and more exciting in summertime? Well, I'm going to need you ALL to bring some of that summer excitement today!

"This summer, we've been learning all about the stories Jesus told that help us understand God's kingdom. But what is God's kingdom? Well, God is good, kind, just, trustworthy, and patient—among other things. And His kingdom is anywhere where He reigns. The kingdom is where the ways of the King are the way things run. And we want Him to spread that good kingdom everywhere! We point to God's kingdom when we live out the ways of the King! That's what we're learning all summer long.

"The full name of our series this month is 'Kingdom Quest—Living the Greatest Adventure.' We're going to be talking more about that very soon!

"But before we jump into today's Bible Story about God's kingdom, we've got a game. And not just any game. It's quick. It's a little crazy. And it's SILENT!

SLIDE: Silent Line Up! Title

"Welcome to 'Silent Line Up!' In a minute, we're going to split you into groups of ten people. You will all get a challenge, and your job is to line up in the correct order.

"But here's the twist ... You're not allowed to talk. AT. ALL.

"That's right! Only hand motions, pointing, dramatic gestures ... maybe even interpretive dance if you need it. But zero talking.

"Leaders, help everyone get into groups of ten. Spread out a bit so you have room to move.

(Leaders help kids split up into groups of ten—the number of kids in each group can be less depending on how many kids you have.)

ROUND 1

"All right, your first challenge is to line up by your birthday month—January to December.

"Remember, no speaking! Ready? GO!

(Start one-minute timer.)

AUDIO: Upbeat music

"Nice! I'm seeing some teamwork happening! Look at that communication!

(Kids work to line up in the correct order until the one-minute timer is up.)

"And ... FREEZE!

(Walk around the room, and see how many groups lined up in the correct order.)

ROUND 2

"Great job! Let's do another one! Challenge number two: line up from shortest to tallest, silently!

"Here we go! 3 ... 2 ... 1 ... GO!

(Start one-minute timer.)

AUDIO: Upbeat music

"Whoa, some groups are moving quickly! I see some expert height-measuring happening!

(Kids work to line up in the correct order until the one-minute timer is up.)

"And ... FREEZE!

(Walk around the room, and see how many groups lined up in the correct order.)

ROUND 3

"Awesome! Okay, now let's see how fast you guys can move!

"Line up by the first letter of your name from A to Z. No talking, but get creative!

"Everyone ready? 3 ... 2 ... 1 ... GO!

(Start one-minute timer.)

AUDIO: Upbeat music

"Oh wow, I see some invisible letters being drawn in the air!

(Kids work to line up in the correct order until the one-minute timer is up.)

"And ... FREEZE!

(Walk around the room, and see how many groups lined up in the correct order.)

(As time allows, continue with more rounds—kids could line up by shoe size, number of siblings, favorite season, how many pets they have, etc.)

"That was so much fun! You can take your seats!

"Now it's time to check out our Bottom Line for today. If you walk away with one thing today, walk away with this. Let's see what it says!

SLIDE: Bottom Line

[Bottom Line] "God's kingdom grows when you hear and do what He says. Can you say that with me?"

KIDS AND HOST: **[Bottom Line]** "God's kingdom grows when you hear and do what He says."

HOST: "Great job, friends! Now let's get ready to learn more about God's kingdom together!"

15 min

Worship | Amazing Music

5 min

Closer | Worship Song

What You Need

No supplies needed

Inviting People to Respond to God

What You Say:

AMAZING MUSIC

WORSHIP LEADER: "Hey, everyone! I'm so glad you're here today. Right now, we get to do something really special—we get to worship God together! Worship is our chance to focus our hearts on Jesus, remember who He is, and tell Him how much we love Him.

"Our first song is called 'Closer.' This song reminds us that Jesus isn't far away. He's not distant or hard to reach. Jesus is the One who loves us, who brings light and joy into our hearts, and who invites us to draw near to Him. Let's sing!

SONG: "Closer" Dance Motion, Lyric or Instrumental Lyric Videos are available with Amazing Music on APlay

"Let's keep worshipping together! Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Whether life is going really well or really hard, Jesus stays right by our side. His love plays on repeat ... over and over again.

"So let's sing this together and thank Jesus for being the One we can always count on.

5 min

Over & Over Again | Worship Song

What You Need

No supplies needed

What You Say:

SONG: "Over & Over Again" Dance Motion, Lyric or Instrumental Lyric Videos are available with Amazing Music on APlay

"This week, keep worshipping! You don't need a stage or music to worship. You can worship God at school, at home, in the car, with friends ... anywhere!

5 min

Memory Verse

What You Need

No supplies needed

"Now it's time to learn our Memory Verse for the month! Since this is our first week learning this verse, I want you to hear how important it is.

"These are words Paul wrote about God's kingdom. He shared that God's kingdom is full of what's right, peace, and joy. It is full of good stuff because God is good!

"And we don't get those good things by trying harder ... we get them because they are gifts from the Holy Spirit. As you keep in step with the Spirit, your life will be filled with righteousness, peace, and joy. God's Spirit will grow these good things because He is good!

"Our Memory Verse this month is found in Romans 14:17. I'll read it first, and then I will lead you through it!

SLIDE: Memory Verse

WORSHIP LEADER: "God's kingdom is not about eating or drinking. It is about doing what is right and having peace and joy. All this comes through the Holy Spirit (Romans 14:17 NIV).

"Now, let me lead you through it! Repeat after me—nice and loud!

WORSHIP LEADER: "God's kingdom is not about eating or drinking."

KIDS AND WORSHIP LEADER: "God's kingdom is not about eating or drinking."

WORSHIP LEADER: "It is about doing what is right"

KIDS AND WORSHIP LEADER: "It is about doing what is right"

WORSHIP LEADER: "and having peace and joy."

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WORSHIP LEADER: "All this comes through the Holy Spirit."

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WORSHIP LEADER: "Romans 14:17!"

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WORSHIP LEADER: "Great job! God's kingdom is just like He is—it's peaceful and joyful and right. And as you spend time with God through His Holy Spirit, you will live in those good things. And the Holy Spirit

will grow those things in your heart. It is so good to be a part of God's kingdom because the King is just so good!"

15 min

Bible Story

5 min

StoryLab Bible Story | Video

What You Need

No supplies needed

Creating a Safe Place to Connect

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- For the "thorny soil"—insert the sticks, pipe cleaners, or weeds into the soil to make it look crowded.
- For the "good soil"—this container should just have soil in it, nothing else.
- Place the four containers of soil and the larger seeds on the table for the Storyteller to use during the teaching.
- The Storyteller will place the seeds in each container during the telling of the Bible Story.

5 min

So and So Show Bible Story | Video

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Bible Story (Live)**What You Need**

No supplies needed

What You Say:**BIBLE STORY (STORYTELLER SCRIPT)***SLIDE: Theme Background**(Things to have ready: Set up the table at the front of the teaching area so the Storyteller can place their Bible on it and read from it. Seeds and four containers of soil on the table.)***INTRODUCTION****STORYTELLER:** "I'm so glad everyone is here today! We're going to learn about God together, and that's my favorite thing to do.

"All summer long, we've been learning about God's kingdom, and God's kingdom is where His ways are lived out. He is kind, and good, and truthful, and righteous—and all of these wonderful things. And God's kingdom is where those good ways are the way things operate. It's where Jesus is King, and the kingdom is like the King!

"This month, we're going to talk about all kinds of ways we can live out this kingdom. In fact, that's our theme this month: 'Kingdom Quest—Living the Greatest Adventure.'

"But before we open the Bible and talk more about God's kingdom, I want to tell you about something that happened to me. And I promise, you're allowed to laugh at me. You know how sometimes someone gives you instructions, and you totally hear them ... but you don't actually listen? Yeah. That was me. Big time.

(Share an age-appropriate story about a time you heard something but didn't follow through—could be something funny.)

"I heard it. I just didn't do it! And things got messy. Really messy. The truth is, we've all done that. We hear something with our ears, but it never really makes it into our hearts. And Jesus knew this was something everyone struggled with—kids, grown-ups, all of us. So Jesus told a story to help people understand what happens when they hear God's words ... and what happens when they actually take what He says and live it out."

SETTING UP THE STORY**STORYTELLER:** "On this particular day, Jesus was teaching near the Sea of Galilee. It was a beautiful place—water stretching out behind Him, boats pulled up onto the shore, people waiting to hear from Jesus. As Jesus began speaking, more and more people gathered. The crowd grew so large that Jesus actually got into a boat to teach while everyone else stood along the shoreline.

"People were leaning in. They wanted to hear what He would say next. Jesus looked out at all of them, and He chose a story that everyone there would understand immediately. A story about something they could visualize."

The Path (hard heart)

STORYTELLER: "Jesus began telling a story about a farmer:

(Open the Bible and read Matthew 13:3-4 NIV.)

Then he told them many things using stories. He said, "A farmer went out to plant his seed. He scattered the seed on the ground. Some fell on a path. Birds came and ate it up."

"Now think about a path, the kind everyone walks on. The dirt gets packed down so hard, it feels almost like a rock. When a seed lands on ground like this, it can't sink in.

(Hold up the container of "path soil," and drop a few seeds onto it.)

"The seeds just sit on top. And before anything can happen ... a bird swoops down and eats them.

"Then Jesus explained what this part of the story meant:

(Open the Bible and read Matthew 13:18-19 NIV.)

"Listen! Here is the meaning of the story of the farmer. People hear the message about the kingdom but do not understand it. Then the evil one comes. He steals what was planted in their hearts. Those people are like the seed planted on a path."

"So the seed never had a chance. It couldn't grow. And Jesus wanted the crowd to imagine this and wonder, 'Is my heart ever like that? Am I hearing God and His words, but not really taking them in?'"

The rocky soil (Shallow heart)

STORYTELLER: "Jesus kept going with His story. After talking about the seed that landed on the path, He described another place where seeds fell.

(Open the Bible and read Matthew 13:5-6 NIV.)

"Some seeds fell on rocky places, where there wasn't much soil. The plants came up quickly, because the soil wasn't deep. When the sun came up, it burned the plants. They dried up because they had no roots."

"Picture this: Seeds land in dirt, but right underneath the dirt is a layer of rock.

(Hold up the container of "rocky soil," and drop a few seeds onto it.)

"The seeds pop up fast as plants because they don't have to push through much soil. The plants look like they're doing great at first ... but they can't grow strong roots.

"And when the sun heats up the ground, the little plants can't reach water. They dry up. They don't last.

"Then Jesus explained what this part of the story meant:

(Open the Bible and read Matthew 13:20-21 NIV.)

"The seed that fell on rocky places is like other people. They hear the message and at once receive it with joy. But they have no roots. So they last only a short time. They quickly fall away from the faith when trouble or suffering comes because of the message."

"Jesus was explaining that some people get really excited about God and His words at first. They love hearing about Jesus! They want to follow Him! But when something hard happens ... their excitement fades away. The roots weren't deep yet. The plant looked strong for a moment, but it didn't last."

the thorns (Crowded heart)

STORYTELLER: "Then Jesus described another place where some of the farmer's seeds landed. This time, the seeds fell into soil that wasn't hard ... and wasn't rocky ... but it had a different problem.

(Open the Bible and read Matthew 13:7 NIV.)

"Other seed fell among thorns. The thorns grew up and crowded out the plants."

"If you've ever seen a garden with weeds in it, you know exactly what Jesus was talking about. A seed can start growing just fine in soil like this. It might even look healthy at first! But thorns grow fast ... and they grow everywhere.

(Hold up the container of "thorny soil," and drop a few seeds into it.)

"Soon, the thorns begin to crowd around the little plants. They take the sunlight. They take the water. They take all the good things the plants need. And even though the plants are alive ... they can't grow fruit. They get crowded out.

"Jesus explained what these thorns represent:

(Open the Bible and read Matthew 13:22 NIV.)

"The seed that fell among the thorns is like others who hear the message. But then the worries of this life and the false promises of wealth crowd it out. They keep the message from producing fruit."

"Sometimes people do hear God and His words ... and they even want to follow Him. But then life gets busy. Or they start worrying. Or they chase after other things they think will make them happy. And little by little, all those 'thorns' crowd out what God is trying to grow."

the good soil (Ready heart)

STORYTELLER: "Finally, Jesus talked about the last place the seeds landed. And this place was completely different from the path, the rocky ground, or the thorny soil.

(Open the Bible and read Matthew 13:8 NIV.)

"Still other seed fell on good soil. It produced a crop 100, 60 or 30 times more than what was planted."

"This is the kind of soil every farmer hopes for. It's soft. It's rich. It's ready. When a seed lands in soil like this, it can grow deep roots.

(Hold up the container of "good soil," and drop a few seeds into it.)

"The plants can grow strong and healthy. And they don't just grow a little bit—they grow a lot! They produce more and more and more.

"Then Jesus explained what this part of the story meant:

(Open the Bible and read Matthew 13:23 NIV.)

"But the seed that fell on good soil is like those who hear the message and understand it. They produce a crop 100, 60 or 30 times more than the farmer planted."

"Jesus said that people with hearts like good soil don't just hear God's words ... they receive them. They think about them. They live them out. And when they do, God grows incredible things in their lives—things that look like love, joy, peace, kindness, and all the good fruit the Holy Spirit brings. Good soil isn't perfect soil. It's just a heart that's ready for God to plant something new."

wrapping up THE STORY

STORYTELLER: "Jesus didn't tell this story just to talk about farming or seeds or soil. He told it because He wanted people to think about their hearts. Each kind of soil shows a different way people respond when they hear God's words.

"Some people hear God's words, but their hearts are hard, like the packed path. The seed never sinks in. Some people get excited at first, but they don't stick with it when life gets hard—that's like the rocky soil. Some people start growing, but worries and distractions crowd out what God is doing, like the thorns.

"But then, Jesus talked about the good soil. These are people with hearts open to God and His words—people who listen, understand, and choose

to follow Him. Those people grow strong, and God produces fruit in their lives—fruit that looks like love, peace, joy, kindness, and so much more.

"Jesus wanted the whole crowd to hear this story and ask themselves, 'What kind of soil is my heart?' Because God's truth can grow in anyone who is willing to hear it ... and do what it says.

"And that's what our Bottom Line today is all about! Let's take a look at it together.

SLIDE: Bottom Line

[Bottom Line] "God's kingdom grows when you hear and do what He says. Can you say that with me?"

(Host enters and joins in.)

KIDS, STORYTELLER, AND HOST: [Bottom Line] "God's kingdom grows when you hear and do what He says."

10 min

Closing

5 min

WHAT'S OUR PART IN THE STORY?

What You Need

No supplies needed

Prompting Action Beyond the Experience

What You Say:

WHAT'S OUR PART IN THE STORY?

HOST: "When Jesus told this story, He wasn't trying to make anyone feel discouraged. He wanted people to know their hearts can change. No one is stuck being one kind of soil forever. God can soften a hard heart. He can give strength to a shallow heart. He can clear out a crowded heart. And He can help a ready heart grow even stronger. Ask Him to help you be good soil.

"When you hear God's Word and choose to do something with it, even something small, God's kingdom begins to grow in you. The Holy Spirit helps you understand what God says. He helps you remember it. He helps you follow it, even when it's hard.

"And as God's kingdom grows in you, He uses you to bring His goodness to the world around you. You can show love when someone feels lonely. You can bring peace when things feel stressful. You can show kindness when someone needs it most. You can be honest when it would be easier to lie. That's what fruit looks like.

"And as you live like Jesus, you are pointing to His kingdom. When you are kind, or loving, or honest, you're saying: 'Hey, look! This kingdom is awesome! The King who reigns over it is peaceful, kind, loving, and honest—just like I was. He loves you and wants you to be His friend forever. Do you want to be a part of God's kingdom too? You can! The Bible says that everyone who accepts what Jesus did on the cross for their sins is welcomed into God's kingdom—and God's family—with open arms!'

"Every day, you have a chance to listen to God and His words with a heart that's ready ... a heart like good soil. And when you do, God will grow things in your life and through your life that only He can grow.

"Let's take a quiet moment and talk to the King of this kingdom, friends."

5 min

PRAYER

What You Need

No supplies needed

What You Say:

PRAYER

STORYTELLER OR HOST: “Dear God, thank You for telling this story. Help us to be like the good soil. We want to listen to what You say. When our hearts feel hard, please soften them. When we feel shallow or distracted, give us strength and focus. When worries or other things try to crowd You out, clear them away. Grow the fruit of Your Spirit in us—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, and all the good things that come from You. Let Your kingdom grow in our lives every single day. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

(Dismiss kids to Small Groups.)

AUDIO: Play calm music as the kids exit.

SLIDE: Theme

Optional Video (Media Package): Theme Loop

Getting Ready | K5

Large Group

Here's everything you need to know to get ready for this week.

APlay

APlay is your all-in-one presentation, preparation, and curriculum ecosystem that saves you time and money. APlay is free with your curriculum subscription! APlay offers powerful tools that build media playlists, compile curriculum documents, auto-update supply lists by child count, cast media to screens, and so much more.

Built to work in harmony with your curriculum, APlay Service Builder allows leaders to drop in, toggle on and off, or customize teaching plans, worship elements, and media assets in seconds. For even more value, upgrade to Amazing+ to unlock the parent app, Parent+.

Story: Communicating God's Truth in Engaging Ways (25 minutes)

Worship: Inviting People to Respond to God (10 minutes)

1. Opener

What You Need:

- Host
- A few pre-determined leaders to help split the kids into groups
- Timer (or smartphone or watch or countdown)

Music and Sound Effects:

- Upbeat music to use as kids enter the room
- Upbeat music to use for the game

Large Group Visuals:

- Theme Slide
- "Silent Line Up! Title" Slide
- Bottom Line Slide

Optional Videos:

- Theme Loop
- Countdown
- Theme Intro
- 1-minute countdown for game

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2. Worship and Memory Verse

What You Need:

- Worship Leader(s)

Music and Sound Effects:

- "Closer" - available on APlay with Amazing Music
- "Over & Over Again" - available on APlay with Amazing Music

Large Group Visuals:

- Theme Slide
- Memory Verse Slide

What You Do:

- If you are utilizing the suggested songs from **Amazing Music**, search for your desired video resource for each song under the Worship section on APlay and add to your service!
- You can access Amazing Music's Dance Motion, Lyric, and Instrumental Videos in APlay under the Worship section.
- Amazing Music Song Trainings are available in Amazing Leaders and FREE on YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/@AmazingKidsMusic>

- *Make sure your church has obtained licensing rights to play or perform music. You can obtain a license to perform worship music from Christian Copyright Licensing International (www.ccli.com). It covers over 200,000 worship songs for congregational singing. You are responsible for including the copyright information on all songs reproduced under the Church Copyright License (including song lyrics projected onscreen). This includes the song title, writer credit(s), copyright notice, and your church's CCLI license number. You can include this information on one of the lyric slides, or you can create a separate slide detailing this information, but the copyright information must appear at least once for each song you play or perform. For example:*

"Hallelujah" words and music by John Doe

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3. Bible Story

What You Need:

- Storyteller
- Host
- Table
- Bible
- 4 clear containers
- Soil (to be used in all four containers)
- Dirt or sand (that's a different color from the soil, so it's visible from the audience)
- Rocks (to fill up the third clear container)
- Sticks, brown pipe cleaners, or weeds for the thorns
- 20-30 larger seeds (Larger seeds are more visible to the audience.)

Music and Sound Effects:

- Calm music to use as kids exit the room

Large Group Visuals:

- Theme Background Slide
- Bottom Line Slide
- Theme Slide

Optional Video:

- Theme Loop

Optional Video: (available in APlay)

Our Large Group scripts are interchangeable with these videos so you can plug and play the way you need to each week.

For 252 Kids (Kindergarten through 3rd grade):

- *StoryLab*: Invite elementary kids to engage with inquisitive young hosts as they explore core biblical truths and stories in a STEAM-inspired setting.

For 252 Preteen (4th and 5th grade):

- *The So & So Show*: Guide preteens to explore questions of faith through a variety show full of humor and biblical truth.

Additional environment enhancements including:

- Motion graphics, including loops
- Countdown video

What You Do:

- Download the slides and have them ready to use. If you do not have screen capabilities, you have Orange's permission to enlarge and print the slides on paper.
- Confirm that your church has appropriate licensing to perform or play music and sound effects in your kids' environments (see above under Opener).
- Fill each of the four containers two-thirds of the way with soil.
- For the "path soil"—spread the different-colored dirt or sand on top of the soil to represent a hard path.
- For the "rocky soil"—mix the rocks with the soil (the more rocks, the better), and top it off with more soil.
- For the "thorny soil"—insert the sticks, pipe cleaners, or weeds into the soil to make it look crowded.
- For the "good soil"—this container should just have soil in it, nothing else.
- Place the four containers of soil and the larger seeds on the table for the Storyteller to use during the teaching.
- The Storyteller will place the seeds in each container during the telling of the Bible Story.

Supplies:

- Host
- A few pre-determined leaders to help split the kids into groups
- Timer (or smartphone or watch or countdown)
- Music and Sound Effects
- Upbeat music to use as kids enter the room
- Upbeat music to use for the game
- Large Group Visuals
- Theme Slide
- "Silent Line Up! Title" Slide
- Bottom Line Slide
- Optional Videos
- Theme Loop
- Countdown
- Theme Intro
- 1-minute countdown for game
- Worship Leader(s)
- Music and Sound Effects
- "Closer" - available on APlay with Amazing Music
- "Over & Over Again" - available on APlay with Amazing Music

- Large Group Visuals
- Theme Slide
- Memory Verse Slide
- Storyteller
- Host
- Table
- Bible
- 4 clear containers
- Soil (to be used in all four containers)
- Dirt or sand (that's a different color from the soil, so it's visible from the audience)
- Rocks (to fill up the third clear container)
- Sticks, brown pipe cleaners, or weeds for the thorns
- 20-30 larger seeds (Larger seeds are more visible to the audience.)
- Music and Sound Effects
- Calm music to use as kids exit the room
- Large Group Visuals
- Theme Background Slide
- Bottom Line Slide
- Theme Slide
- Optional Video
- Theme Loop
- Optional Video: (available in APlay)
- Motion graphics, including loops
- Countdown video