

# MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE MAY

**May 3rd**

“Always be ready to give an answer to anyone who asks you about the hope you have.”  
1 Peter 3:15 (NirV)

**May 10th**

“Let those who have been set free by the LORD tell their story.” Psalm 107:2 (NirV)

**April 19th**

“When anyone lives in Christ, the new creation has come. The old is gone! The new is here!”  
2 Corinthians 5:17

**April 26th**

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you. Then you will tell people about me... from one end of the earth to the other.”  
Acts 1:8

**Memorize and get a special prize**

*NOTE: Memorizing means you can say the verse anytime—not just right before you tell a leader. If you only learn it for a minute and then forget it, it doesn't count. Be ready to say it at any time.*



WEEK  
**TWO**  
MAY 2026

SMALL GROUP

**4,5,6**

### **BIG IDEA**

The good news of Jesus sets us free from sin,  
so we can tell our story to others.

### **BIBLE**

Acts 21–28

### **KEY VERSE**

“Let those who have been set free by the LORD tell their story.” Psalm 107:2 (NirV)

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### **8:45/10:45 Pre-service Activities**

#### **9:05/11:05 Large Group**

- Welcome
- Mothers Day Video
- Worship (3 songs)

#### **9:25/11:25 Small Group Time**

- Mothers Day Coupon Book
- Bible Study

#### **10:05/12:05 Check Out UPSTAIRS**

- Choose an activity during checkout

### **Lead confidently—your voice and energy set the tone!**

*Kids will follow your excitement and engagement. If you're all in, they will be too.*

*Feel free to give gentle reminders to help keep your group on track. Creating a calm, focused environment helps every child feel safe and seen.*

### **By the time a child leaves eKids, we want them to:**

- *Feel happy to be here*
- *Feel like they belong*
- *Learn one true thing about God*

*Every activity, question, game, and conversation helps move us toward that goal.*



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## Small Group Page 1

### MOTHERS DAY COUPON BOOK

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

- Choose Your Pieces Each child will pick 1 cover (from the 4 options).
- Then they will choose 10 coupons they want in their book.
- **Color & Decorate**
  - Kids will color their cover and coupons.
  - Encourage them to decorate with stickers and gems to make it special.
  - Stack Your Book Once everything is colored, help kids stack their pages:
    - Cover on top
    - Coupons underneath in any order they like
- **Tie It Together**
  - Thread a ribbon through two hole punched holes.
  - Tie it into a bow to hold the book together.
  - Finished! Encourage kids to take their coupon book home and gift it to their mom or a special lady in their life!



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## Small Group Page 2

**Key Verse:** “Let those who have been set free by the LORD tell their story.” Psalm 107:2 (NIRV)

**Big Idea:** The good news of Jesus sets us free from sin, so we can tell our story to others.

**Read:** Acts 21–28

### Ask:

- “Have you ever been really excited to tell someone something that happened to you?”
- “What made you want to share it?”

Transition: When something important happens to us, we want to tell people. That’s what happens when Jesus changes our lives!

### Summarize Acts 21–28

Paul loved Jesus and wanted everyone to know about Him. But not everyone liked what Paul was saying. Some people got angry and had him arrested.

Even though Paul was put on trial and sent to different rulers, he didn’t stop talking about Jesus. He told governors, kings, and even soldiers how Jesus had changed his life.

At one point, Paul was sent on a ship to Rome, but a huge storm came and the ship crashed! Even then, God kept Paul safe.

When Paul finally got to Rome, he was still under guard—but he kept telling people about Jesus. Anyone who came to visit him heard the good news.

Paul knew that Jesus had forgiven his sins and changed his life forever. That’s why he kept sharing his story, no matter what happened.

God keeps Paul safe

☞ Acts 27:23–24

Paul keeps telling people about Jesus

☞ Acts 28:30–31

### Read: Optional

Paul shares his story

☞ Acts 22:14–15

Paul tells others about Jesus, even when it’s hard

☞ Acts 24:24–25 (partial)

Paul’s courage to keep sharing

☞ Acts 26:22–23 (partial)



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## Small Group Page 3

### Discussion Questions

### Understanding:

- Why was Paul not afraid to tell others about Jesus, even when it was hard?
- What did Jesus save Paul from?

### Personal Connection:

- What has Jesus done for you? (help them think: forgiven sins, loves them, always with them)
- If someone asked you about Jesus, what would you say?

### Application:

- Who is one person you could tell about Jesus this week?
- What might make it hard to share your story?
- How can God help you be brave like Paul?

### Key Verse

***"Let those who have been set free by the LORD tell their story." – Psalm 107:2***

### Ask:

- "What does it mean to be 'set free'?"
- "What kind of story are we supposed to tell?"