

K-5TH

LARGE & SMALL GROUPS

JUNE 7TH, WEEK 1

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

### PRE-SERVICE

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ACTIVITIES 15 MIN

LARGE GROUP [33 MIN]

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OPENING GAME 10 MIN

WORSHIP 5 MIN

STORY VIDEO 13 MIN

BOTTOM LINE

WHAT'S OUR PART IN THE STORY

SALVATION MOMENT 5 MIN

SMALL GROUP [30-35 min]

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ACTIVITY 1 12 MIN

ACTIVITY 2 12 MIN

CLOSING PRAYER 6 MIN

## THIS MONTH



### Today's Bible Story

What Is God's Kingdom?  
The Stories of the  
Mustard Seed and the Yeast  
Matthew 13:31-34

### Bottom Line

Jesus shows us God's kingdom.

### Memory Verse

"May your kingdom come. May  
what you want to happen be done  
on earth as it is done in heaven."  
Matthew 6:10 NIV

**Please go over the  
memory verse with the  
class every Sunday.**

## PRE-SERVICE

What you need:

- “Faith Like a Seed Tree”  
Craft
  - Glue Sticks
  - Green Tissue Paper
- “Paper Parable” Activity  
Page
  - Colored Pencils
  - Scissors
- “Mustard Seed” Word  
Search
- “Parable of the Mustard  
Seed” Coloring Page

Welcome kids by name as they arrive with a high five, fist bump, or a wave!

Have tables set up with activities before the kids arrive. Explain that they can choose to work on whatever they want and can move between the activities if they wish. Encourage children to bring home their creations to share what they know with their families.

### **“Faith Like a Seed Tree” Craft**

Color the word FAITH, tree trunk, bird and squirrel and use green tissue paper crumbled into little balls and glue to make your tree green and leafy.

### **“Paper Parable ” Activity Page**

Cut off the bottom of the page on the dotted line and fold the paper into a book. Draw or write your own story in your “My Paper Parable” book.

### **“Mustard Seed” Coloring & Activity Pages**

## LARGE GROUP

## OPENER GAME

### “Pass and Play”

What You Need:

- Host
- Giant Beach Ball

#### HOST:

*“Hi, friends! Welcome to Fusion Kids. I’m so glad you’re here today. And guess what? It’s almost SUMMER! You know what, before we go any further, I’ve got some VERY important questions. Raise your hand if this is you.”*

*“Who has already eaten a popsicle?”*

(Pause while kids respond.)

*“Who’s been to the pool?”*

(Pause while kids respond.)

*“Who stayed up way too late because it’s almost summer and you can?”*

(Pause while kids respond.)

*“Oh yes, you are MY people!”*

*“Okay, last one ... who’s excited to be here today?”*

(Pause while kids respond.)

#### What You Say:

*“Let’s go! Our theme is ‘Kingdom Quest,’ and the full name of our series is ‘Kingdom Quest—Seeking the Greatest Treasure.’ We’re going to discover some pretty amazing stories Jesus told that help us learn about God’s kingdom. I’m so excited!”*

*“To get us all warmed up and ready, we’re going to play a game called ‘Pass and Play!’*

#### SLIDE: Pass and Play! Title

Depending on the size of your group, you can have everyone play or ask for 10 volunteers.

- **For Everyone** - *“We are going to make a circle and when the music starts, You’ll pass this giant beach ball around the circle. Just keep it moving.”* (Continue on the next page with “But when the music stops...)

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## OPENER GAME (CONT.)

- **For Just 10 Volunteers** - *"I need 10 volunteers who want to help me start our summer fun. Raise your hand if you're in!"*

(Choose 10 volunteers from the children who have their hands raised and invite them to the game area. Direct them to stand in a circle.)

*"Great! Our players will stand in a circle right here. When the music starts, you'll pass this giant beach ball around your circle. Just keep it moving around the circle!" (Continue below with "But when the music stops...")*

*"But when the music stops ... you have to FREEZE like you're a frozen popsicle! And whoever is holding the beach ball will do something silly that I'll call out."*

*"Everybody ready? Let's kick off summer together. Music, please!"*

**AUDIO:** Upbeat music

*"And beach ball launching in three ... two ... one ... GO!"*

Play the game. Host lightly tosses the beach ball to one of the children in the circle. Children pass the ball around the circle, and the Host calls out silly actions each time the music stops. An example list of silly actions is below.

- Jump over a wave.
- Build a sandcastle.
- Walk on hot sand.
- Surf on a big wave.
- Paddle a canoe.
- Catch fireflies.
- Taste lemonade that's too sour.
- Look for seashells.
- Shake water out of your ears.
- Walk on hot pavement and say, "Ow, ow, ow!"
- Walk like a crab.
- Swat a mosquito.
- Fan yourself on a hot day.
- Lick an ice cream cone that's melting too fast.
- Look for treasure with binoculars.

(Continue until multiple children in the circle have had a chance to do one of the silly actions.)

## OPENER GAME (CONT.)

*“WOW! You all did an incredible job in our first summer challenge! Let’s give ourselves a big round of applause! You can take your seats.”*

(If you are playing with only 10 children and time allows, continue with more rounds. Ask for 10 new volunteers at the start of each round.)

*“Now, let’s check out our Bottom Line for today!*

**SLIDE:** Bottom Line [Bottom Line]

**HOST:**

*“Jesus shows us God’s kingdom.”*

*“Can you say that with me?”*

**KIDS AND HOST:** [Bottom Line]

*“Jesus shows us God’s kingdom.”*

**HOST:**

*“Great job! Thanks for playing our game with me today, friends! Now let’s get ready to hear God’s Word, the Bible!”*

## Service Flow

### WORSHIP

### STORY VIDEO

### SALVATION MOMENT

#### What You Need

- Salvation cards
- Salvation sheet

#### **WORSHIP:**

*Alright everyone — it's time to worship Jesus!*

*Let's spread out across the room so we have space to move and praise.*

*(Production: turn off one main light and turn on the light tower by the booth.)*

*Let's lift our voices and give God our best!*

Worship Song:

**“Alleluia”**

**by Elevation Worship and Chandler Moore**

**STORY TIME:** *Wow! What an incredible time of worship! You all did such an amazing job praising God! Now, let's all find a seat on the floor and get ready for today's story:*

#### **What Is God's Kingdom?**

#### **The Stories of the**

#### **Mustard Seed and the Yeast**

#### **Matthew 13:31-34**

*Put on your listening ears and quiet voices — let's see what God wants to teach us today!*

**SALVATION MOMENT:** *Alright friends, this is a very special moment. Everyone, bow your heads and close your eyes so we can focus and give privacy to our friends. Walk through the salvation slide and explain clearly and simply. Ask: If you want Jesus to be your forever friend, raise your hand so I can see. Pause. Give the Holy Spirit time to work. Celebrate those who raised their hands! Have everyone open their eyes. **Go through the ABC Prayer together, asking the kids to repeat and follow along with the slides.***

**HELPERS:** During the salvation moment (while heads are bowed and eyes are closed):

- Quietly walk around and give an “I Decided” card to each child who raised their hand.
- Afterward, ask them to meet with you so you can fill it out.
- Clearly print their first and last name on the salvation sheet.
- Make sure the card goes home to their parents.

If no one raises their hand, that's okay. The Holy Spirit is still working.

Simply mark **“No Response”** on the salvation sheet so we know the moment was covered.

Remember: We plant seeds — God brings the growth.

## SMALL GROUP

### ACTIVITY 1

#### “Mustard Seed Cross”

##### What You Need

- Bible Marked at Matthew 13:31-34
- “Mustard Seed Cross” Activity Page
- Mustard Seeds
- Craft Glue
- Paper Plates

#### What You Do

- Pour a small pile of mustard seeds onto each plate, one for every few kids to share.
- Explain what a parable is: A parable is a short story using everyday objects and situations to help explain something about God and His kingdom.
- Share that in today’s Bible Story, Jesus taught two parables to help us understand God’s kingdom—one was about a mustard seed.
- Open your Bible to Matthew 12:31-32 and read the parable of the mustard seed.
- Explain that Jesus said the kingdom of God starts very small—like a mustard seed—but grows into something very big and wonderful.
- Say: “Today we’re going to see exactly how small a mustard seed is!”
- Give each kid a “Mustard Seed Cross” Activity Page and a plate of seeds to share.
- Encourage children to make a shape with glue in the middle of the cross, then sprinkle some mustard seeds over the glue outline.
- When finished, ask kids to gently shake the excess seeds onto their plate.

#### What You Say

“Today, we heard two short parables that Jesus told about God’s kingdom, or the kingdom of heaven—one was about flour and yeast that you bake bread with, and the other was about these tiny mustard seeds.

“These tiny mustard seeds grow into something huge! That’s what Jesus said His kingdom is like. It starts small, but it grows big! Jesus’ kingdom grows bigger and bigger the more and more people decide to follow Jesus as their friend and begin their forever friendship with Him.

“God’s kingdom started small with Jesus and a few friends, but it has grown to include people all over the world! [Bottom Line] Jesus shows us God’s kingdom can start small and become something bigger than we could ever imagine.”

## SMALL GROUP

### ACTIVITY 2

#### “Pass The Mustard Seed”

##### What You Need

- Small Bowl
- Tiny Seeds
- Plastic Spoon

#### Set Up

- Pour several mustard seeds into the bowl.

#### What You Do

- Invite the kids to sit in a close circle.
- Show kids a single, tiny seed by holding it on your finger. Talk about how small it is.
- Explain that Jesus said God's kingdom starts small, like this seed, but grows into something big and amazing!
- Give each kid a plastic spoon.
- Place one seed on the first kid's spoon.
- Challenge the kids to carefully pass the seed from their spoon to the next person's spoon without it falling.
- See if the group can pass the seed all the way around the circle

#### What You Say

“Great job! That was tricky, but you did it! It’s amazing that something so tiny can grow to be something so big. God’s kingdom started small, but it grew into something big as more people began to follow Jesus and start their forever friendship with Him.

“As a follower of Jesus, the King, you don’t have to grow God’s kingdom. That’s God’s job. But you can point to it! When you’re kind to someone who is lonely, you’re pointing to Jesus and saying, ‘Hey, the King of this kingdom is kind like this!’ When you forgive someone for breaking your game controller, you’re pointing to Jesus and saying, ‘Hey, the King of this kingdom is forgiving, like this.’

“And maybe they’ll ask why you’re different. And you can tell them that Jesus, the King, loves them too and wants to be their forever friend! You can point to Jesus, the King!

“God is so powerful that He can take our small, everyday actions and turn them into something bigger than we can imagine. Every time we point to the good King and His kingdom, we are planting a small seed that God can grow into something big and wonderful. God loves to grow His kingdom bigger and bigger as more people come to follow Him!

“God has always been out to grow His kingdom! That’s one of the things Jesus taught us while He was on earth. [Bottom Line] Jesus shows us God’s kingdom.”

## SMALL GROUP

### PRAY AND DISMISS

What You Need

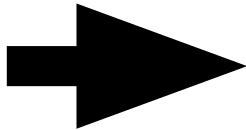
No Supplies Needed

### Prayer

“Dear God, thank You for Jesus. Thank You that Jesus shows us God’s kingdom. Help us to point to Your kingdom this week wherever we go. May Your kingdom come. We love You, God, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

# GETTING READY

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