

Today's Suggested Schedule—September 20, 2026

Today's Bible Story: Joseph • Genesis 37, 39–47

God is with me wherever I go.

Key Question: Who is always with you?

Bottom Line: God is always with me.

Memory Verse: *"God is with you wherever you go."* • Joshua 1:9 NLT

First Look Pinterest Page

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SERVICE DURATION (75-80 MINUTES)

9:15am/11:00am thru 10:35am/12:20pm

ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING SMALL GROUP (30-35 minutes)

SOCIAL: Providing Time for Fun Interaction

Early Arriver /

Opening Activity

LARGE GROUP (10-15 minutes)

WORSHIP: Inviting People to Respond to God

STORY: Communicating God's Truth in Engaging Ways

- Introduce Monthly Theme Poster
- Review Monthly Bottom Line Poster
- Play video:
 - a. Worship (Songs-Video)
 - b. Teaching (Clubhouse - Video)
 - c. Review Monthly Memory Verse

SMALL GROUP: (25-30 minutes)

- Reinforcement Activities

TAKE HOME:

Monthly Placemat

Social

Providing Time for Fun Interaction

15 minutes

1. Saving the Food

Made to Move

***Uses Minimal Supplies**

What You Need:

- ☐ Plastic toy food
- ☐ Baskets or bins
- ☐ Large plastic serving spoon

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place the basket on one side of your room and pile the food on the floor opposite the basket. Place the serving spoon(s) near the pile of food.

During the Activity: Line children next to the basket of food. Ask children to take turns scooping up one food on their spoon, and then carry it carefully to the basket. If it drops, encourage children to scoop it back onto their spoon and continue. After they drop their food into the basket, have them quickly return and pass the spoon to the next friend in line.

After the Activity: Introduce the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Hello, friends! Come over and line up behind me. We have a very, very important job to do today!"

During the Activity: "Your job is to scoop up one piece of food with your spoon and walk it very carefully all the way across the room to that basket/bin. We need to save all this food for later! Be careful not to drop it! [Child's name], you're first! Scoop up a piece of food. *(Pause.)* Okay, nice and steady ... walk it over and put it in the basket. *(Pause.)* You did it! You saved one piece of food! Great job! Come back and give the spoon to [next child's name], and they can save some food too!" *(Continue with each child. Repeat until all the food has been moved to the basket.)*

After the Activity: "Look! Our basket is full of food! You all did such an important job. You worked hard and saved the food! Today, in our true story from the Bible, we'll hear about a man named Joseph, and he had a big job collecting lots of food too! Let's go hear more about the big job Joseph had."

Move to worship and story and play September 20th Videos

Groups

1. Love Catapult

Hear from God | Memory Verse Review

Made to Move

***Uses Minimal Supplies**

What You Need:

- ☐ Plastic grocery bag
- ☐ Pom-poms

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Say the Memory Verse and do the motions together with the children.

During the Activity: Gather air in the bag and twist the opening closed. Place the air-filled bag on the table while continuing to hold the opening closed. Place a pom-pom on the top of the bag and bop the bag to send it flying. Lead the children to where the heart/pom-pom landed and say the Memory Verse. Repeat as time and interest allow.

After the Activity: Connect the Memory Verse to the Bottom Line.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Friends, come stand with me and let's say our Memory Verse and do the motions together. Everybody Ready? Here we go. 'God (*point up*) is with you (*point to self*) wherever you go' (*march in place*). Joshua 1:9 (*open hands like a book*). Great job!"

During the Activity: "We have a catapult to play with today! It can send our hearts/pom-poms flying across the room! Watch me. I'm going to bop the bag like this and (*bop the bag*) WHOOSH! Look where it went! Let's all go to the spot where it landed! (*Lead the children to the heart/pom-pom.*) We made it! Now that we are here, let's say our verse together: 'God is with you wherever you go!' Joshua 1:9. Great job! Let's launch another heart/pom-pom." (*Repeat as long as time and interest desired.*)

After the Activity: "Our hearts went so many different places! They went by the blocks, and over by the door, and way back in the corner. And our verse reminds us that no matter where we go, God is with us. God was with Joseph in all the different places he went, too! **Who is always with you? [Bottom Line] God is always with me!**"

2. God is with You There!

Live for God | Application Activity

Made to Think

What You Need:

- ☐ Large map (of the world or your country)
- ☐ Smiley face stickers

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Tape the map to a wall at the child's height or spread it out on the floor.

During the Activity: Give each child a smiley face sticker and encourage children one at a time to close their eyes and stick their smiley face to the map. Talk about where their smiley face is on the map. Continue with each child.

After the Activity: Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Friends, come join me at this big map! Our Memory Verse says, 'God is with you wherever you go.' Joshua 1:9. Let's look at this big map and see all the places God can be with us!"

During the Activity: "This map shows the whole big world! There are so many different places to go. I'm going to give you a smiley face sticker to add to the map, but with your eyes closed! Ready? [Child's name], here is your sticker. Close your eyes and stick your smiley face on the map! *(Pause.)* Open your eyes and let's see where your smiley face landed! *(Name the different places each child lands.)* Wow, you're in the middle of the big blue ocean! Guess what? God is with you even in the middle of the ocean! [Next child's name], your turn! *(Give child a sticker and have them add to the map with their eyes closed.)* You landed on the mountains! Guess what? God is with you on the tallest mountains! *(Continue until every child has placed their sticker on the map, affirming that God is with them in that place.)* Great job, everyone!"

After the Activity: "Look at all the places we went! We were on the land, and in the water, and near the city. And no matter where your smiley face landed, we learned that God is always with you. God was with Joseph in all the different places he went, and God is always with you, too. **Who is always with you? [Bottom Line] God is always with me.**"

3. Who Has Joseph?

Live for God | Application Activity

Made to Move

What You Need:

- ☐ “Who Has Joseph?” Activity Page
- ☐ Cardstock
- ☐ Scissors

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print “Who Has Joseph?” on cardstock and cut, one cutout per Small Group.

During the Activity: Encourage children to pass the picture of Joseph while you chant. Whoever is holding Joseph at the end will get to say the Bottom Line. Continue until each child gets a turn. Repeat as time and interest allow.

After the Activity: Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Friends, come sit in a circle on the floor with me. Today in our Bible Story, we learned about a young man named Joseph. (*Hold up the picture of Joseph.*) Joseph went a lot of places in our story, and God was always with him. Let’s play a passing game to help us remember Joseph’s story!”

During the Activity: “To play our game, we are going to pass Joseph around the circle as fast as we can. At the end of the chant, we’ll see who has Joseph! Ready?”

(Chant while passing the Joseph cutout.)

“Joseph, Joseph, pass him fast!

Count to three, who has him last?

One ... two ... THREE! Freeze!” *(Pause.)*

“Who has Joseph? [Child’s name] has Joseph! Okay, [child’s name], since you have Joseph, you get to say our special words! Say: **[Bottom Line] God is always with me!** (*Help guide child in saying as needed.*) Yay! Okay, let’s play again! Start passing Joseph. (*Continue playing until several children have had a turn.*) Now let’s all say our special words together. **[Bottom Line] God is always with me!**”

After the Activity: “That was so much fun! No matter who was holding Joseph at the end of the chant, we know the same thing is true for him and for us. God is always with you, and **[Bottom Line] God is always with me! Who is always with you? [Bottom Line] God is always with me!**”

4. Journal and Prayer

Pray to God | Prayer Activity

Made to Reflect

What You Need:

- ☐ “Memory Verse Card” from Week One in your Bible
- ☐ Journal
- ☐ Fun-shaped pen

Note: You can find examples of hand motions in the “Memory Verse Hand Motions” PDF and video, and on Pinterest.

What You Do:

Before the Activity: If you do not have the “Memory Verse Card,” print it on cardstock and place it in your Bible at Joshua 1:9. *Note: Keep this card in your Bible all month long.*

Encourage the children to walk and count to seven (take seven big steps, seven small steps, etc.) as you lead them to your Small Group spot. Sit down and gather the children around you.

During the Activity: Review the Bible Story and the Memory Verse Hand Motions. Ask the children to tell you about the places they go and make a list in the journal.

After the Activity: Pray with the children using the list you made in the journal.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “It’s Small Group time! Today, let’s count to seven as we walk to our Small Group spot. Let’s start by taking seven little steps. Ready? One, two, three, four, five, six, seven. Wow! Good job! Now let’s take seven big steps. Ready? One, two, three, four, five, six, seven. *(Continue with big and little steps until you get to your Small Group spot.)* We’re here! Let’s sit down and talk about today’s Bible Story. One, two, three, sit down with me!”

During the Activity: (Open the Bible and lay it in front of the children.) “In our Bible Story today, we learned that God is with us wherever we go. God was with Joseph everywhere he went. Joseph’s story starts when Joseph’s dad gave him a special, colorful coat. This made Joseph’s brothers mad, and they sent him to work far away in Egypt. Later, Joseph was put in jail and God was with Joseph in jail. While Joseph was in jail, Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, had a dream, but he needed help to understand what it meant. Someone told him that Joseph could help him understand the dream. And at the very end of our story, the Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of all of Egypt. Joseph got to work, and he saved a lot of food for seven years. God was always with Joseph and God is always with you too! **Who is always with you? [Bottom Line] God is always with me.**

“The Bible verse we are learning helps us remember that God is with us all the time. It says: ‘God *(point up)* is with you *(point to self)* wherever you go,’ *(march in place)* Joshua 1:9. *(Open hands like a book.)* Just stand up and say what I say and do what I do! ‘God *(point up)* is with you *(point to self)* wherever you go’ *(march in place)*. Joshua 1:9 *(open hands like a book)*.”

“Way to go! Now let’s sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. *(Open journal.)* Today, we’ll make a list of the places we go. We know that no matter where we go, **[Bottom Line] God is always with me!** Think of the different places we go then when I say your name, tell me and I’ll write

it in our journal. *(Say each child's name and write down what they say beside their names in the journal. Remember to print so the children can recognize their names and the letters.)*

After the Activity: (Hold up the journal.) "This is a wonderful list of different places we go! It is so amazing to know that God is with you in every single one of them. Let's talk to Him now.

"Dear God, thank You for being with us wherever we go. Thank you for being with [child's name] when they are at *(read their answer from the journal)*, thank You for always being with [child's name]. *(Continue, personalizing the prayer for each child.)* Thank you that we are never, ever alone because You are always with us. We love You. In Jesus' name, Amen."