



## I am Secure Kindergarten - 5th grade

### Leader Notes

**Bible Passage:** God Protected Three Friends- Daniel 3

**Bottom Line:** God controls my circumstances.

**Leader Context:** The three friends, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, trusted that God was in control, even though they faced unbelievable circumstances. God is in control of our circumstances, even when they are difficult.

**THE WIN FOR SUNDAY GROUPS:** Give kids a first look at The Bible, Jesus, and our need for a Savior by embracing their physical needs or engaging their interests. Use The Code when necessary to help redirect kids and build relationships.

### Games and Music (10 minutes)

**What You Need:** Instruction Page, Game Sets, Roku Game Instruction Page

#### What You Do:

- Play worship songs and other songs available on Roku during the Social Game or while kids are playing.
- Using the supplies and game instruction page, choose one game to play with the kids today.
- As you are playing, use this as a time to call each kid by name and learn their names well.

**Say:** That was a fun game to get us ready to watch our Bible video. Let's sit and listen to our story today."

### Social

### Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

#### Bible Story Recap- Say This

The story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego is amazing don't you think? These three friends chose to trust God no matter what. They believed that God was in control of their circumstances and so can we!

Sometimes, you might be having a hard time with friends at school or things are difficult at home.

Maybe you get sad sometimes or maybe you didn't make the team you wish you would have made. All those things happening around us are called circumstances. No matter what your circumstances are or what's going on in your life, God wants you to know that you can be secure in Him. He sees you, and He loves you. Even when things are shaky, He's with you! He wants you to be secure just knowing He's there. We can know we are secure because God is with us.

Let's pray together. Remember prayer is listening and talking to God.

God,, thank You so much that You are always in control, and we can trust You, no matter what. Help us to feel secure even in shaky times and know that, because of Jesus, we can have an unshakable faith. Help us trust You no matter what. In Jesus' name, Amen.

The Bible tells us that we are secure because God is in control of our circumstances. This means that even when things feel shaky and uncertain, we can trust that God sees us. He knows what is going on in our lives, and He is in control, even when we can't see or understand what's going on around us. He is an unshakable God. He doesn't get worried or stressed out like we do sometimes. He is always in control, and He cares about you.

### Videos

**Who's in Control? (20 minutes)****What You Need:** no supplies**What You Do:**

Today we are going to play a game called "Who's in Control?" In this game, one of you will be in control of who is sitting and who is standing. When I say "Go," everyone will start walking around and shaking hands. You can shake hands quickly or take a few seconds. But the person who is It will squeeze your hand two times when they are shaking it. When they do, count slowly to five, then sit down. As people start to sit down, those of you who are still in can guess who is in control. Just raise your hand and say, "I know who's in control!" But if you guess wrong, you will also have to sit down. Any questions?

Alright, everyone close your eyes. It I tap you on the head, you are going to be in control this first round."

*Note: Keep it going- dim the lights to make it even more difficult to figure out who is in control.*

**Say:** "Do you think it is easier to be the person in control or the person guessing? Why do you think that? (Let a few kids share) I think it can be hard not to be in control. Today we talked about how God protected three friends in a scary circumstance. In the Bible story, did the friends ever doubt or wonder if God was in control? No, they trusted that God was in control, and they were unshakable in that knowledge. Even today, we can know that God controls our circumstances. Whether it's a test coming up, fighting at home, friends being unkind, or anything in-between, we can know that God controls all our circumstances, and we can be secure in Him."

**Discussion Questions:**

- What is a crazy or extreme sport or activity that you have heard about or seen? Would you ever try it? Why or why not? *(Allow kids time to answer and share your own answer.)*
- How does safety equipment help people whne they are doing an extreme sport? Like, how does it help their bodies? How can it help their minds and attitudes? Let's talk about people. Who are some people you trust? What makes you know you can trust them? *(Allow kids time to share. Share your own experience.)*
- Thecoat can remind us that God keeps us safe and secure. The bible tells us that we are secure because God controls our circumstances.. Let's open our Bibles to Daniel 3:16-18 and read about it together. . *(Invite kids to open up their Bibles. Read the passage aloud or invite a kid who volunteers to read the passage aloud. Help kids find the passage so everyone can follow along together.)* What is the passage telling us?
- Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego trusted that God would take care of them, even when things were shaky and uncertain. How can we learn to trust God like they did?*(Allow kids time to answer and share your own answer. Things like reading the Bible, learning more about God, spending time with Him, praying, talking with other people who love God.)*
- God sent His Son, Jesus, and we can know that He is always with us and in control of our circumstances. Jesus died for our sins- the choices we make when we go our own way instead of following God's way. He died and rose again so that when we believe in Him , we can be secure in Him. How can knowing Jesus is with you help you trust God? *(Allow kids time answer and share your own answer.)*
- How can remembering that you are secure because of Jesus help when things feel out of control? *(Allow kids time to answer. I can trust Jesus; I can remember that He's always with me; I can remember that He is in control.)*

**Prepare kids to talk with their family about what they learned today.**

- Pass out coloring pages for kids to take home.
- As family members arrive to pick up their kid, greet them and tell them one thing you noticed about their kid that day or something you talked to each kid about remembering this week.
- If there is time to chat with the family, ask how you can pray for them this week.
- Say bye to the kid and call them by name.