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I am Made for Community Kindergarten - 5th grade

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: Priscilla and Aquila- Acts 18

Bottom Line: God connects us to each other.

Leader Context: God worked through Priscilla and Aquila to help others and grow the kingdom of God. It's amazing how God connects and unites us together- all with the commonality of loving and following Him. This week you get to share the amazing community kids can be part of when they believe in Jesus.

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.

Social

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."

Videos

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Bible Story Recap- Say This

God has given each of us amazing talents and gifts. Some of us are good at sports while some of us are really good singers. Some of us like getting up in front of people and talking while others like sitting quietly and listening to others. No matter what our gifts or talents are, God gives each of us the chance to use them in community.

In our Bible story, we saw that Paul, Priscilla, Aquila all had unique talents. They could have just done their own thing, but they worked together as a community, and God did amazing things through them. And God asks us to do the same thing.

God connects us to each other by making a way for us to be reconnected to Him. God sent His Son, Jesus, to take the punishment for our sin- which are the choices we make to do our own thing instead of what God wants. When we believe and trust Jesus, He forgives our sin. But we get more than forgiveness. We get new life. And part of that new life is being part of God's big family. This means we get to work together and help one another, like we saw Priscilla and Aquila do with Apollos. We are invited into close community with others.

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

God, we thank You for coming up with the idea of community. It is good because You are good. Thank You for creating us for community and inviting everyone to be a part of Your family. Help us to remember even when relationships are hard, You are with us and are guiding us. Amen."

Community Drawing (20 minutes)

What You Need: butcher paper (1 sheet per group), crayons, markers

What You Do:

Today, we're going to work together to create some drawings. I'm going to need one of you to lay down and I will trace the top half of you- your head, shoulders, and torso. After I trace our friend, each of you will take a turn adding one item to this picture. We need to add hands, feet, mouth, eyes, nose, hair. We can also find ways to show some things we think our friend may like, for instance, soccer ball or piano or other gifts or talents. Each person will draw only one thing. If you aren't sure what to draw, ask the person some questions.

- What do you like to do?
- What are you good at?
- Do you have any hobbies?
- What are some things you like?

Note: Repeat the process for each kid as time permits. If tracing heads takes too much room, you can freehand draw people outlines across the paper.

Say: Our drawings may look a little crazy since we did a part, but it's cool that it all comes together to make one picture. If we drew each and every one of you, each drawing would look different. But they would all be amazing and different because all of you are amazing. You all added cool and unique things to the drawing and that makes it extra special."

Discussion Questions:

- What are some of your gifts and talents? Or even just this things you really like doing or are good at? How can those gifts or talents help other people? *(Allow kids time to answer and share your own answer.)*
- God made each of us different and unique with gifts and talents that can ehlp other people. What is a story you know about someone helping someone else or even helping you? *(Allow kids time to share. If a kid is having a hard time thinking of something, help them out. Share your own experience.)*
- When there is a place setting at a table, it reminds us that we have a place to belong with people we are connected with. The Bible tells us that we are made for community, and God connects us to each other. Let's open our Bibles to Acts 18:26-27 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.)* Does anyone want to share what they think that passage is talking about?
- Paul helped Prsicilla and Aquila by encouraging and teaching them. Priscilla and Aquila went on to help Apollos by teaching him what was true. And then Apollos helped the disciples by working with them to spread the truth about Jesus. Who are the people in your life that you are connected to? How can you be a helper and support them?*(Alloq kids time to answer and share your own answer.)*
- When we love and Follow Jesus, we get to join in and love others. How can loving others honor God? *(Allow kikiids time answer and share your own answer.)*
- What are some things we can do to live in community the same way the people in the Bible did? *(Allow kids time to respond and share your own experience.)*

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.