Kids | November - Week 3

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November 2026, Week 3

Today's Suggested Schedule

Kids arrival: 9:25 / 11:10
Play high-pitch music as kids arrive

Countdown: 9:30 / 11:15
Start the countdown with excitement!

Large Group: 9:30-9:55 / 11:15-11:40
→ Opener
→ Game
→ Worship
→ Bible Story
→ Memory Verse
→ Talk it Out!
→ Prayer

Transition to Small Group: 9:55-10:00 / 11:40-11:45
Kids move with their leader to small groups

Small Group: 10:00-10:25 / 11:45-12:10
Creating a safe place to connect



Bible Story

Jesus Heals Ten Men • Luke 17:11-19

Bottom Line

Remember to thank God.

Memory Verse

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5 min

Large Group Opener

Setting the Tone for the Experience

5 min

Opener

What You Need

No supplies needed

What You Say:

SLIDE: Play high-energy music as kids enter.

SLIDE: Theme

SLIDE: Countdown

SLIDE: Theme Intro

(Things to have ready: Starting line, finish line, one die, two cups for slips of paper to go in, slips of paper with directions on them, slips of paper that say 'pity' and 'no pity', and obstacles to place on the ground. Game slide. Bottom Line slide.)

OPENER

HOST: "What is up, [environment name]! By show of hands and your most excited whisper you can possibly make, how is everyone today?

"I'm so excited to be back with you guys today as we continue to learn about our theme, The Great Gratitude Challenge. Learning about gratitude has been awesome for me. It's so important to remember that we can have gratitude all the time, not just when things go our way.

"Today, we're really going to focus on remembering to have gratitude. Everyone say, 'remember'. It's really easy, and honestly, really natural, for us to be in the present moment and not remember gratitude. Today, we get to take a look at a really cool story that can help us remember to be grateful.

Large Group Game_

"Before that, though, we have a game. Who's ready for some fun?!

SLIDE: Dice, Dice, Dash!

(*As you begin explaining the game, have your leaders place obstacles on the ground between the starting and finish lines*)

"We're going to play a little game I like to call 'Dice, Dice, Dash!' In this game, our whole room is our game board. Here is our starting line,

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What You Need

Table	1
Game die	1
Floor tape	1
Two cups per Large Group	2
Slips of paper with directions on them	Several
Slips of paper that say 'Pity' and 'No Pity'	2
Various obstacles like chairs, tables, cones, balls, pool noodles, etc.	Several

(*Gesture to the starting line*)

"And there is our finish line!
(*Gesture to the finish line*)

"Your goal is to make it from the starting line to the finish line, and you do that by following my instructions. Between the starting and finishing lines will be obstacles; do not touch those!

"Up here with me, I have three things that are very important to the game. The first is to roll the die!
(*Hold up die for kids to see*)

"I am going to roll the dice, and that is how many steps you guys are going to have to take. So if I roll a three, how many steps are you taking? Three, exactly!

"The next important item is this cup right here. In this cup are directions: forward, backward, left, and right. If I roll a three on my dice and then draw 'backwards, you guys are going to have to take three steps backwards. Make sense?

"The last thing up here is this cup here. In this cup are two very important pieces of paper. One says 'Pity' and one says 'No Pity'. You see, because you guys have to follow my instructions, you're going to run into obstacles. If you run into one, turn to me and say, 'Pity Please!' Then, I'll draw from the cup. If it says 'Pity' you get to stay where you're at, but if it says 'No Pity', you have to go back to the starting line.

"Alright, everyone to the starting line!"

AUDIO: Upbeat music

(Have leaders scattered around the space to ensure that kids are safe as they move around. Roll the dice and call out the first number)

"Our first number is [number]. Now let's see which direction we're going!

(*Draw out of the direction cup*)

"Our first direction is [direction]! Everyone take [number] steps [direction]!

(Keep playing as time allows. Keep an eye on if the kids aren't hitting any obstacles or are hitting them too much, and adjust if need be.)

"Great job, everyone, great job! Could you imagine if we used two dice and had to take 12 steps backward? That would be crazy! For those of us who ran into an obstacle, what was the thing you had to say to try to stay in the game? 'Pity please'! Another way we can think of that is asking for mercy. Remember that for our Bible lesson here in just a little bit, okay?

"Now it's time to check out our Bottom Line for today. If you walk away with one thing today, walk away with this. Let's see what it says!

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SLIDE: Bottom Line

***[Bottom Line]* "Remember to thank God.** Let's say that together!"

KIDS AND HOST: *[Bottom Line]* "Remember to thank God."

HOST: "Awesome job, everybody! Now, let's get ready to learn more about gratitude and thanking God together!"

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10 min

Bible Story

10 min

StoryLab Bible Story | Video

What You Need

No supplies needed

Creating a Safe Place to Connect

SLIDE: Bible Story W3

Wrapping up the Story

STORYTELLER: "The other men in today's story skipped right past thankfulness. They forgot to give thanks to the One who healed them. The Samaritan man didn't. He remembered to give thanks, and he came close to Jesus with faith and gratitude.

"The Samaritan man chose to turn around and give thanks, and because of that, he drew even closer to Jesus. When we choose to thank God, it changes how we see our lives. It helps us realize that no matter what is happening, God is with us, He is good, and there is always something to thank Him for.

"The Samaritan man, the one who was known as an 'outsider,' is the one who got closest to Jesus that day. You know what that tells me? Jesus is for everyone. His forgiveness is for everyone. His love is for everyone. No one is outside of His love and forgiveness!

"When we remember to thank God, we can grow closer to Him.

"That reminds me of our Bottom Line today! Let's take a look at it one last time.

SLIDE: Bottom Line

***[Bottom Line]* "Remember to thank God.** Say it with me this time, okay?"

(Host enters and joins in.)

KIDS, STORYTELLER, AND HOST: *[Bottom Line]* "Remember to thank God."

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Memory Verse Activity

SLIDE: Memory Verse

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Closing

Prompting Action Beyond the Experience

5 min

Talk It Out!

What You Need

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Now, before we move on, I have a question for you… (lean in and whisper) do you know what time it is?
It's time to… (pause, cup your hand to your ear) TALK IT OUT!
That means it's your turn to do the talking! You get to share your thoughts, ask questions, and see how this story connects to YOUR life. So, let's put on our 'thinking caps' … zip up our listening ears… and get ready to Talk. It. Out!"

SLIDE: Talk It Out!

1. What is gratitude like?
Answer: A muscle! We need to practice being thankful.

2. What sickness did the ten men have?
Answer: Leprosy, a skin disease.

3. What did Jesus tell the ten sick men to do?
Answer: Go and show themselves to the priests.

4. How many men came back to thank Jesus after being healed?
Answer: Only one! The Samaritan man.

5. Who does Jesus love and forgive?
Answer: Everyone! Jesus' love and forgiveness are for everyone!

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Prayer

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What You Say:

PRAYER

STORYTELLER OR HOST: "Dear God, thank You for the story we got to learn from today. Thank You that we get to see from Your Word just how important it is to say thank you. Lord, we believe that every good and perfect gift comes from You, and my prayer is that we would recognize those gifts and tell You thank you every chance we get. We love You, Lord. Thank you for all You do for us. In Jesus' name, amen."

(Dismiss kids to Small Groups.)

SLIDE: Play calm music as the kids exit.

SLIDE: Theme

Optional Video (Media Package): Theme Loop

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