Kids | November - Week 5

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Today's Suggested Schedule—November 2026, Week 5

Small group : 10:00-10:25 / 11:45-12:10

Greeting & Prayer (5 minutes)

The leader greets the children and asks how they are doing. After a brief time of sharing, the group participates in a short prayer activity to prepare their hearts for the lesson.

Small Group Activity (15 minutes)

Activity One
Activity Two

Pray & Dismiss (5 minutes)

After small group time, the leader closes in prayer. Then the children are dismissed.



Bible Story

God's Plan to Send Jesus • John 1:1-5,14; Micah 5:2; Isaiah 9:6-7; Isaiah 7:14-15

Bottom Line

We can thank God for giving us hope.

Memory Verse

"Every good and perfect gift is from God. This kind of gift comes down from the Father who created the heavenly lights. These lights create shadows that move. But the Father does not change like these shadows." • James 1:17 NIrV

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Greeting & Prayer

- Choose a child to spin the wheel.
- Each color matches a prayer prompt on the chart.
- After spinning, the child finds the matching prompt, reads it, and prays.
- Let a few more children take turns spinning the wheel and praying.

5 min

Activity One

Creating a Safe Place to Connect

5 min

23 - Hope Tower Challenge | Made to Explore

What You Need

"Hope Tower Challenge" Activity Page	1
Paper	1
Markers	Several
Plastic disposable cups	1
Plastic bowl	1

What You Do:

Before the Activity:
- Print "Hope Tower Challenge" Activity Page on paper and cut, one set per Small Group.
- Fold the strips of paper several times and put them in a bowl.

During the Activity:
- Split the kids into two teams.
- Say: "I will ask you some questions and the first team to answer correctly earns a cup. There may be a few silly challenges in the stack of questions as well. Doing the silly challenge will also earn your team a cup. The goal is to earn enough cups to build a great tower, taller than the other team."
- After all questions are answered, the teams will compete to see who can build the tallest tower.
- *Optional: Have the teams work together to build one big tower of hope.*

What You Say:

"In our Bible Story, we learned about hope. True hope from God isn't shaky at all. It's strong and sure and confident. And true hope begins before the beginning. Even before we were created, God knew that we would turn away from Him. That we would sin and choose our way instead of His. But God loves us so much that He still chose to give us life!

"God promised a baby would be born—a child who would grow up to rescue and rule forever. And that baby would be born in a very real, specific place: the little town of Bethlehem. Jesus lived a perfect life and then gave up His life to rescue you and me and every single person ever who chooses Him. God gave us hope that we can count on every time. And that hope has a name: Jesus.

"If hope is hard for you, ask the Holy Spirit to remind you of God's story and plan—and of the ways that God has already worked in your life. Thank God for all the good things He has already given you—and trust Him to give you true hope. ***[Bottom Line]*** **We can thank God for giving us hope."**

Creating a Safe Place to Connect

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5 min

Activity Two

5 min

23 - A Gift for You | Made to Play

What You Need

Cardstock	Several
Permanent marker	Several
Table	1
Dice	1
Small gift for each kid; candy, sticker, pencil, bookmark, etc	1

What You Do:

Before the Activity:

- Fold the cardstock in half and write “Gift Table” on one side.
- Set up the table on one side of your room the sign and gifts laid out.

During the Activity:

- Say: “When I say, ‘Roll,’ everyone will roll their die at the same time. If two or more kids roll the same number, those kids may go to the Gift Table, choose one gift, and come back to the group. If you already have a gift, cheer for the others while they keep playing.”
- Continue having the remaining kids roll until every kid has chosen one gift.

What You Say:

“In this game, everyone received a gift. You did not have to earn it by being the fastest or the best. The gift was given to you. That reminds us of something important. The hope God gives us is a gift. God sent Jesus because He loves us, not because we could earn it.

“God promised His people that a Rescuer would come. He promised Immanuel, God with us. He promised a forever King. He even promised that the Savior would be born in Bethlehem. Then God kept every promise by sending Jesus. So when life feels hard, we can remember that God has already given us the greatest gift: hope through Jesus. **[Bottom Line] We can thank God for giving us hope.**”

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Monthly Bible Verse Challenge

What You Do

- Have all the kids recite the memory verse out loud together several times.
- Explain that this practice helps everyone learn and feel more confident.
- Ask the kids to raise their hands if they want to try saying the verse on their own.
- Invite one child at a time to come up to the Memory Verse Challenge Spot.
- When a child recites the verse, let them choose a prize from the prize box!

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5 min

Prayer

5 min

Pray and Dismiss

What You Need

No supplies needed

Creating a Safe Place to Connect

Prayer:

"Dear God, thank You for giving us hope! We know that the ultimate hope is in Jesus, and we thank You for that great gift. Help us to always remember that we are loved by You and that we can thank You for giving us hope. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

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Supplies

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4.	Plastic disposable cups	1
5.	Plastic bowl	1

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