

WSC_SG K1 | W3

Today's Suggested Schedule

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

Jesus Calms the Storm • Mark 4:36-41

Bottom Line

God is in control, so I can trust Him.

Memory Verse

God is our place of safety. He gives us strength. He is always there to help us in times of trouble.

• Psalm 46:1 NIV

Greeting & Prayer

5 min

Activity One

5 min

K1 - Move the Boat | Made to Play

What You Need

	Bible	1
	"Move the Boat Template" Activity Page	1
	Origami Paper	1
	Straws	1
	Coloring supplies	Several
	Stickers	Several
	Floor tape	1

5 min

Activity Two

- 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.

Creating a Safe Place to Connect

What You Do:

Before the Activity:

- Make two parallel tape lines on the floor about five feet apart.
- Label one line **Start** and the other **Finish**.

During the Activity:

- Give each kid a piece of paper.
- Using the instruction page as a guide, show kids step-by-step how to fold a paper boat. Help as needed.
- If a kid has difficulty folding a boat, give them a premade paper boat.
- Give kids a few minutes to decorate their boats with coloring supplies and stickers.
- Invite kids to place their boats behind the **Start** line.
- Give each kid a straw.
- Tell kids to use only their breath through the straw to move their boat toward the **Finish** line.
- Say: "Ready, set, blow! See if you can blow your boat all the way from the Start line to the Finish line!"

What You Say:

"Your boats look amazing! Sometimes, our lives can feel like these little boats in a big storm. Things can feel scary or out of control. But our story today reminds us of something very important. Who is in control of the wind and the waves? (God/Jesus!) That's right! God created everything, and He is more powerful than anything else, ever. Everything answers to Him. That means that God is bigger and more powerful than any storm or difficult thing you will ever face. We can be brave because we know that no matter what happens, **[Bottom Line] God is in control, so I can trust Him.**"

What You Do:

During the Activity:

5 min

K1 - Courage Moves | Made to Play *Uses Minimal Supplies*

What You Need

	Bibles marked at Psalm 46:1	1
	"Courage Moves One" Activity Page	1
	"Courage Moves Two" Activity Page	1

- Give each kid a Bible marked at Psalm 46:1.
- Demonstrate how to look up the Memory Verse using the Bible Navigation Tips below:

Finding verses with kindergartners & 1st graders: Guide children to open their Bibles to the marked page. Point to the book name at the top of the page as you say it aloud. Then, guide children to find the big number on the page—this is the chapter number. Finally, guide them to look under the big number for the little number; this is the verse number. Tell them to leave their finger on the verse as you read it aloud. Then, lead everyone to say the verse together.

- Repeat the Memory Verse out loud together several times.
- Review any words that might be unfamiliar to the kids.
- Invite the kids to set their Bibles aside.
- Gather the kids in a circle and place the two sets of cards face down on the floor.
- Explain that you will take turns drawing one card from each stack. Read the cards aloud and put the actions together. Whatever silly challenge the cards describe, the WHOLE group will do together as they say the Memory Verse.
- Let the first child draw two cards. Read the cards aloud (e.g., "Stomp your feet and nod your head.>").
- Lead the group in doing the action for a few seconds.
- Then, lead the group in saying the verse while doing the actions: *"God is our place of safety. He gives us strength. He is always there to help us in times of trouble."*
- Let the next child draw two cards and repeat the process. Continue until several challenges have been completed.

What You Say:

"Great job with those challenges! Our Memory Verse is a super reminder for when we feel like we are in a storm. It tells us that God is our safe place, He gives us strength, and He is always there to help. That's why we can trust Him! God is in control, and because He is good, we can trust Him with anything we face. **[Bottom Line] God is in control, so I can trust Him.**"

Prayer:

"God, thank You for being bigger than all our fears. Help us to remember that no matter what happens, You are in control, so we can always trust You. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen."

*As adults arrive to pick up, encourage kids to tell them the story of Jesus calming the storm and share the **[Bottom Line] God is in control, so I can trust Him!***

Prayer

Supplies

K1 - Move the Boat Made to Play		Quantity
1.	Bible	1
2.	"Move the Boat Template" Activity Page	1
3.	Origami Paper	1
4.	Straws	1
5.	Coloring supplies	Several
6.	Stickers	Several
7.	Floor tape	1

K1 - Courage Moves Made to Play *Uses Minimal Supplies*		Quantity
1.	Bibles marked at Psalm 46:1	1
2.	"Courage Moves One" Activity Page	1
3.	"Courage Moves Two" Activity Page	1