

MAY LG K-3 | W5

May 2026, Week 5

Bible Story: Heaven • *Revelation 21:3-5*

Bottom Line: God will make everything right in the end.

Monthly Memory Verse: *Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up.* • Galatians 6:9 NlrV

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
- Bible Story
- Talk it Out!
- Memory Verse
- 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

Heaven • *Revelation 21:3-5*

Conversation Starter

What do you think heaven will be like?

Bottom Line

God will make everything right in the end.

Monthly Memory Verse

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15 min

Large Group Opener

5 min

Opener

What You Need

No supplies needed

10 min

Large Group Game | Animal Trail Trek!

AUDIO: Play high-energy music as kids enter.

SLIDE: Theme

Optional Video: Theme Loop

(Host enters with energy and excitement.)

Optional Video: Countdown

Optional Video: Theme Intro

Optional Video: Theme Loop

(Things to have ready: Create a pathway all around the game area using colorful plastic cones. Animal Prints 1-12 on the table. Game slide. Bottom Line slide.)

OPENER

HOST: "Hi, friends! Welcome to [Name of Environment]! I'm so happy you're here today. Today is a huge, awesome, amazing day to be here! We're not only ending our series this month, we're also ending our journey through the key stories in the entire Bible!

"Our theme this month, which is coming to a close, is called 'TREK.' The full name of the series is 'TREK: Don't Stop, Don't Give Up—God's with You!' All month long, we've been talking about how we can keep going because God is with us!

"We've also been learning the story of the entire Bible since August. As we'll see today, God is not only with us right now, but He's also going to be with us on into forever! We're going to talk about the incredible end of the story—our story—where Jesus-followers will live with God forever in heaven and on the new earth!

"There is a lot we don't know about what our forever is going to look like with God, but we do know there will be animals! I bet those animals will be our friends in some pretty amazing ways. So before we tell our Bible Story, we're going to play an animal game called 'Animal Trail Trek!'

SLIDE: Animal Trail Trek! Title

"This game is super simple. We have an animal trail all the way around our space. See?

(Point out the trail in the game area made up of the colorful plastic cones.)

What You Need

👤	Host	1
👤	12 Animal Printables (provided) "Monkey Print" "Penguin Print" "Snake Print" "Kangaroo Print" "Puppy Dog Print" "Elephant Print" "Crab Print" "Bear Print" "Eagle Print" "Frog Print" "Horse Print" "Inchworm Print"	12
👤	Optional: kid volunteers for each round (ask for new volunteers at the start of each round; volunteers are only needed if you have a large group, and all the kids can't play the game at the same time.)	10
👤	Optional: Laminator	1

"When I say to start, we're all going to line up to follow our animal trail. Now, you may be asking, 'If this is an animal trail, where are the animals?' I'm so glad you asked because YOU are the animals! That's right! As you travel the trail, I'm going to hold up one of these signs.

(Hold up the stack of Animal Prints.)

"And each new sign will tell you what animal to be! So if I hold up a fish, you have to swish and swim along the trail.

(Demonstrate.)

"Got it? Okay, it's time to line up for our 'Animal Trail Trek!'

AUDIO: Fun, upbeat music

(Ideally, all the kids will be able to play this game, but if you have a lot of kids and a small space, you may need to select a group of volunteers. If so, pick 10 kid volunteers for every round you do, and play multiple rounds if time allows, so more kids can play.)

(Pause while kids line up at different spots along the trail.)

"All right, it looks like our animals are all lined up. Everybody start walking along the trail, and let's see what our first animal is going to be. You all are ...

(Hold up the print of the monkey that says, "Monkey.")

"MONKEYS! Let's see you swing along the trail!

(Encourage kids to make monkey motions and sounds as they move along the trail.)

"Wow! It sounds like a zoo in here. You all are doing great! Let's do another one!

(Hold up the following Animal Prints and call out the corresponding animals and actions, giving 10-20 seconds per animal. Comment, encourage, and demonstrate as you go if needed.)

(Hold up the print of a penguin that says, "Penguin.")

"Penguin—waddle like a penguin! You all are doing great!

(Hold up the print of the snake that says, "Snake.")

"Now you're a snake—everyone slither along the trail!

(Hold up the print of the kangaroo that says, "Kangaroo.")

"Next is a kangaroo—time to hop!

(Hold up the print of the puppy dog that says, "Puppy dog.")

"Puppy dog—pant!"

(Hold up the print of the elephant that says, "Elephant.")

"Now you're all elephants—stomp, stomp, stomp!

(Hold up the print of the crab that says, "Crab.")

"Crab—everyone do a crab walk!

(Hold up print of a bear that says, "Bear.")

"Bear—now let's do a bear crawl!

(Hold up the print of an eagle that says, "Eagle.")

"Eagle—flap your wings! Keep it up!

(Hold up the print of the frog that says, "Frog.")

"Frog—jump like a frog!

(Hold up print of the horse that says, "Horse.")

"This one is a horse—let's gallop down the trail!

(Hold up print of the inchworm that says, "Inchworm.")

"And the last one is an inchworm—inch! Let's crawl reeeeeeally slow, like an inchworm would!

"Whew! You all did an excellent job with our 'Animal Trail Trek!' Please scurry back to your seat right now as QUIETLY as a mouse!

(Pause while kids return to their seats.)

"Now, we know there will be animals in the place where we live with God forever. And we also know another thing for sure about heaven and the new earth. In fact, it's our Bottom Line for today. Let's see what it says.

SLIDE: Bottom Line

[Bottom Line] "God will make everything right in the end. Say that with me!"

KIDS AND HOST: **[Bottom Line]** "God will make everything right in the end."

HOST: "Thanks for playing our game with me today, friends! We've got an awesome Bible Story coming up—let's get ready to hear it!"

12 min

Bible Story

12 min

StoryLab Bible Story | Video

What You Need

No supplies needed

WRAPPING UP THE STORY

What You Need

No supplies needed

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

"Today's story comes from Revelation, and it's all about our forever future with God."

"A future full of hope and joy!"

"Let's watch our Bible story video and see what God has promised!"

STORYTELLER: "Wow, friends ... what an amazing story. Let's remember what happened. First, we learned that John was exiled to the rocky island of Patmos.

"On Patmos, God gave John a vision. In the vision, Jesus told John that He has power over death!

"Then Jesus showed John a picture of what heaven will be like.

"Jesus will make everything new, and heaven will come down to earth. It will be more beautiful than we can imagine.

"And there will be no more sadness or hurt or sickness, ever!

"God Himself will be our light, forever and ever! He'll make everything right. In fact, that's our Bottom Line for today. Let's check it out!

SLIDE: Bottom Line

[Bottom Line] "God will make everything right in the end. Say that with me!"

KIDS, STORYTELLER, AND HOST: *[Bottom Line]* "God will make everything right in the end."

"Let's say our Memory Verse together: 'Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up. Galatians 6:9.'"

What You Need

No supplies needed

"One more time! 'Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up. Galatians 6:9.'

3 min

Closing

TALK IT OUT!!!

What You Need

No supplies needed

3 min

PRAYER

What You Need

No supplies needed

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!!!

· **Who showed John a special vision of Heaven?**

(Answer: Jesus)

· **Where was John when he saw the vision?**

(Answer: On the island of Patmos)

· **What will God do for us in Heaven?**

(Answer: He will be with us and wipe away our tears)

· **Will there be sadness or pain in Heaven?**

(Answer: No)

· **Who is with us now when life is hard?**

(Answer: God)

STORYTELLER OR HOST: "Dear God, thank You that You love us so much, You gave us Jesus so we can be restored to relationship with You and live with You forever. Thank You that You're always with us—even when things are hard. Remind us that we can always have hope because our forever with You is real and amazing. We can't wait to be with You face to face, forever. We love You, and we pray all these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

AUDIO: Play calm music as the kids exit.

SLIDE: Theme

Optional Video (Media Package): Theme Loop

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