

To the Families of the World,

There may very well be many issues weighing heavy on your hearts as you face the future and find yourself in circumstances that have never before travelled for you and your family. We can be very confident that the promises of God are as true today as that day they were given. I take great comfort in the promise of Psalm 37:25 "I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread."

These unusual confluence and convergence of events of Coronavirus have given families opportunities that would not normally be found including spending more time with their families. This is a POSITIVE. Regardless of circumstances this can be an opportunity to spend quality time together creating wonderful memories and treasures which your family will not forget. LOCKDOWN FAITH is a resource for you to use to build and nurture growing faith in your family.

LOCKDOWN FAITH is a series of lessons created for your family focusing on those in the Bible that found themselves in a LOCKDOWN. These lessons will help your family see beyond the restrictions and actually GROW in their Faith.

This Creative Story Telling Ideas section helps you share the stories in various ways allowing for your family to interact with the message. You simply choose one of these ideas and use it in one of the lessons.

May God Bless you and your Family.

LOCKDOWN is NOT YOUR SHUTDOWN.

May your families Faith Journey grow during these weeks.

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At the end of this manual are links to Websites and Youtube links to help you with more creative ideas of story telling techniques.

GREATIVE STORY TELLING

Story Telling Hat

Help your children identify the key elements of a story and then turn them loose to create a colourful story hat to demonstrate their understanding of the story

OBJECTIVE

Your family will be able to: Identify the main character, supporting characters, setting, and key plot elements of a story. Demonstrate their understanding of these elements of a story by creating visual representations of each based on the Bible story Summarize and retell a story to a friend, using the story hat as a prop.

Story Telling Hats

Use a number of different hats to represent the different characters of the story. You can make these hats from cardboard or paper then interact with the story by placing the hat of the person you are speaking about. You simply change the hats as you take on each character. ONE family member could do the whole story inter changing the hats or have each character represented by one member of your family.

Story Telling Bible Clothing

Using Butcher Paper or Large Pieces of Card to create Bible lesson clothes to tell and re-enact the Story. You can even use your Bath Robes or Sheets to create Bible Robes









Story Telling using a Clothesline You will need:

a piece of Rope or thick string Pegs Clothes according to the Bible story (Create from Butcher Paper or Card)

Allow your children to help you make these. This will give them many hours of involvement

You could do these a few days before the "Presentation" night or day.

Hang your clothes line between two points. Peg the Clothes onto the line

As the story is told, one of your children steps behind the right clothes for the character. The same person could step behind each piece of clothing as the story is told OR you could have different members of your family step behind the clothes. Have one member of your family narrate the story.

Story Telling Apron

Create the Story using an Apron. You can make a Paper Apron with compartments for different parts of the story if you do not have an apron at home.

The storyteller wears an apron and as the story progresses, he or she mounts characters or objects from the story on her apron. It's like having a mobile board! ... So practice and make sure that those character dolls are available when you pull them out of your pocket.

Story Telling Bag / box

Ah, the element of surprise in the storytelling bator box! This is an easy style because all you need to do is place your props inside the bag / box. You take out something from the bag as you tell the story.

A story bag or box provides a hands on learning opportunity for all children no matter their age group or developmental stage.

You could use some of the following to help tell the story: Soft toys

- Farm/zoo animals
- Little people/Lego figures
- Small boxes
- Sticks/grass/hay/wood cookies
- Finger and hand puppets
- Visual aids, cards, calendar pictures, coasters
- Textured material
- Mats, cloths, placemats.









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Role Playing Story Telling

This is the most attention grabbing of all storytelling styles. Role playing puts your children in the shoes of the story's characters making the children visualize the people in the story in the flesh.

Storygami

Tell the story while doing origami paper folding. You may need to practice this a number of times. Your children will be amazed in seeing a piece of paper transform into animals and plants. The wonderful thing about it? They can do it themselves too. Just make sure your patterns are simple and can easily be followed.

Draw & Tell

This style involves telling a story while drawing something. It builds up emotions within the listeners and makes them excited about what's going to be the finished artwork after the story. Remember your kids can also do this.

Cut and Tell Story Telling

This is another storytelling style that involves practice.

Cut and tell is the minimalist way of telling a story because all you need is a sheet of paper and a pair of scissors. The dynamics? You tell the story while cutting something that is expected to be a magnificent "cutwork" at the end of the story. Yes, it's so much like Draw and Tell except that you are using different materials.

Paper Tears would fall into this category

Read Along Story Telling

This one is for children who can read. The most common storytelling style that majority of us have been exposed to is reading aloud, where the storyteller holds a book and reads from it. Reading aloud is a passive storytelling style because the children only listen. **Read along is an active style** because children actually reads with you.

Story Telling Prompts Jar

Grab an empty jar from your kitchen and some torn up pieces of paper. On each small piece of paper write a random word or phrase from the story you are sharing. This could be anything, such as a phrase, word, place mentioned in the story. Put all the torn up pieces of paper inside the jar. Then take turns to take out a piece of paper. Whatever the word is on that paper, that person must tell the part of the story using that word or phrase. If your child gets stuck, you can use prompts, such as:

"What does your character see or hear?" "Who else is there?"

"What does the place look like?"





Do it Yourself (DIY) Finger Puppets

DIY finger cone puppets are extremely good for creating dialogue between characters. You can make some quick finger puppets out of paper. Create cones that you can glue your characters onto in order to tell your story.

If your child gets stuck you can use the 5 W's and 1 H technique as a prompt. For example "**What** is your character doing?" or "describe **who** your character is in this story?"

Story Stones

Story stones are smooth rocks that you can find at the beach or purchase at a craft store. You can use stickers, paints or magazine cut-outs to decorate your story stones.

Have your family create one of the story characters onto a stone. Use these stones to tell the story.

Digital Story Telling

we have access to a wonderful tool to create amazing stories. Use your **<u>iPad</u>** to tell stories.

Using <u>**Keynote**</u> to create a powerpoint which can be saved as a PDF which is then saved into your <u>**iBooks**</u>. This becomes a Powerpoint presentation.

Look for PNG versions of a photo. This will allow you to save with a transparent background giving you a much more professional finished project.

There are some fantastic apps that you can download for free or very reasonably that will give you the ability to DRAW and create your own slides. To know how to use these apps, check out YouTube for tutorials.

REMEMBER: Your children are little experts on using these technologies. Allow them to create your lesson stories on these devices or computer.

A3 / A2 Size Butcher Paper Story Telling

Butcher Paper is a great way to have your family create the Story

in a number of frames. Each member could create on the frames of the story. Using paint, crayons, colour texts or any other form of expression you desire.

Create a 6 Frame Story Board to tell the story.









Storytelling using Balloons

You can use simple balloons that can be designed to be heads of the story characters. Just draw a face on the balloon and it becomes your character. Use different shapes and sizes of balloons to create all the characters of the story. You can also use Balloon Sculpturing which takes practice but very rewarding. Have your kids learn new skills as they practice creating doing Balloon Sculpturing.

Story Telling using EGGS

Get a tray of eggs. Draw Faces on them for your Characters. Allow your kids to help create these for your story time.

Film it Story Telling

I have recently downloaded this App: Clips is Apple's fun new **video editing** app for iPhone and **iPad**. With it you can quickly and cooly add video, photos, subtitles, effects, title cards, and music, and share it with your contacts and social networks. To do that, you first need to get all the videos and photos into Clips It is really easy to use. Have your family make their own movie of the story. It will be really fun to watch as a family after the production of it. You can watch tutorials of Clips on YouTube. An excellent one is done by Michael Kinney. i found it very easy to follow and learn from.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bsSh6PmN_rw

Story Telling using Object Lesson

God has given us the most INCREDIBLE Story which is found in the Bible. The MESSAGE CANNOT be altered or changed. It is the GOOD NEWS.

Good news can be BAD NEWS if it is not PRESENTED in a way that it can be HEARD or understood.

An object lesson is a teaching method that consists of using a physical object or visual aid as a discussion piece for a lesson. Look around your home to see items that could be used to share a spiritual truth. The object becomes a hook on which you hang your lesson and can create powerful associations that serve as reminders every time the object is seen outside the classroom. Real objects, places and events can make learning come alive for children, youth, and adults.





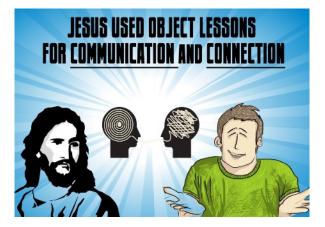


Jesus painted word pictures by referring to objects.

Examples: many of the parables Jesus used actual objects.

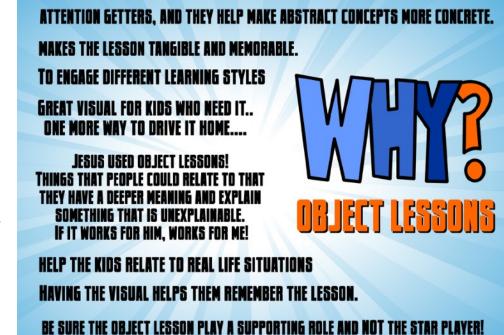
Examples: coin (Matt. 22:15-22); child (Matt. 18:1-6)

Jesus used object lessons like a bridge to move people from the known to the unknown. Jesus was the master communicator he created the human mind and understands, based on how our brains work that truth inside an object or story gives that truth "handles" so



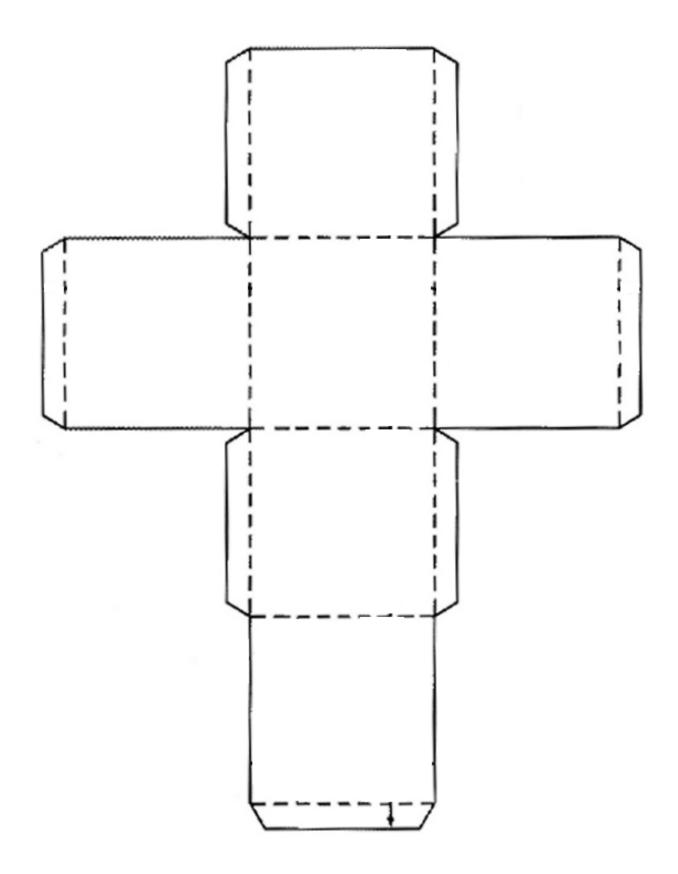
that it is easily remembered and can be retold with a much greater level of accuracy.

REMEMBER: EVERYTHING can be an OBJECT LESSON. OBJECTS can be a lesson PEOPLE'S Stories can be a Lesson INCLUDING YOUR OWN. Your Children need to hear your GOD Stories.



Story Telling using the Story Cube

Create 6 panels to fit on a SQUARE CUBE. As you tell the story, turn the cube from panel to panel. You could also use a LARGE SQUARE BOX to create your 6 panels.



Story Cube Template

STORY TELLING STRATEGIES

https://www.slideshare.net/childrensministry/secrets-to-successful-storytelling

Learning From PIXAR

There are a number of YOUTUBE CLIPS in this series. Check them out on the Side bar of this Clip. Each clip deals with a different aspect of the Story Telling process.

Finding Ideas https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u8CpDHJuyF4

Characters https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=avoM7T2N-WM

Character Empathy https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-LeKeyvbFuw

Drama & Conflict https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DjvwYlhlvIA

Essence of Story Structure https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C7D8yDB7Tlk

Believable Characters https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oRxkt-XLNKA

Casting Characters https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v0CL4ITYP1M

Developing Ideas https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A6UYv3PgRqQ

Challenging Characters https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nqwg8tk2HBg

Theme https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rr_2JjOfE5A

Pixar on Story Telling https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iT8ZxTlg654

Pixar in a Box https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1rMnzNZkIX0

Pixar Visual in a Box https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g1p3WmulKbs

Pixar in a Box CHARCTER

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ngZQUebMSEg

Pixar on Conflict https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6fnsxNb1my4

Short Story Elements https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VDmhl-SU5Yk

Pixar Plot Diagram https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8yzY6buMflo

Plot Mountain SONG https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NpWHZJZQDSE

YOUTUBE MINI TEACHINGS

Story Telling TED Style https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6C9RXFplhU0

What makes a Hero? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hhk4N9A0oCA

Story Telling https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cjllqUHQdNQ

How to tell a great story https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UE3OufWmnMY

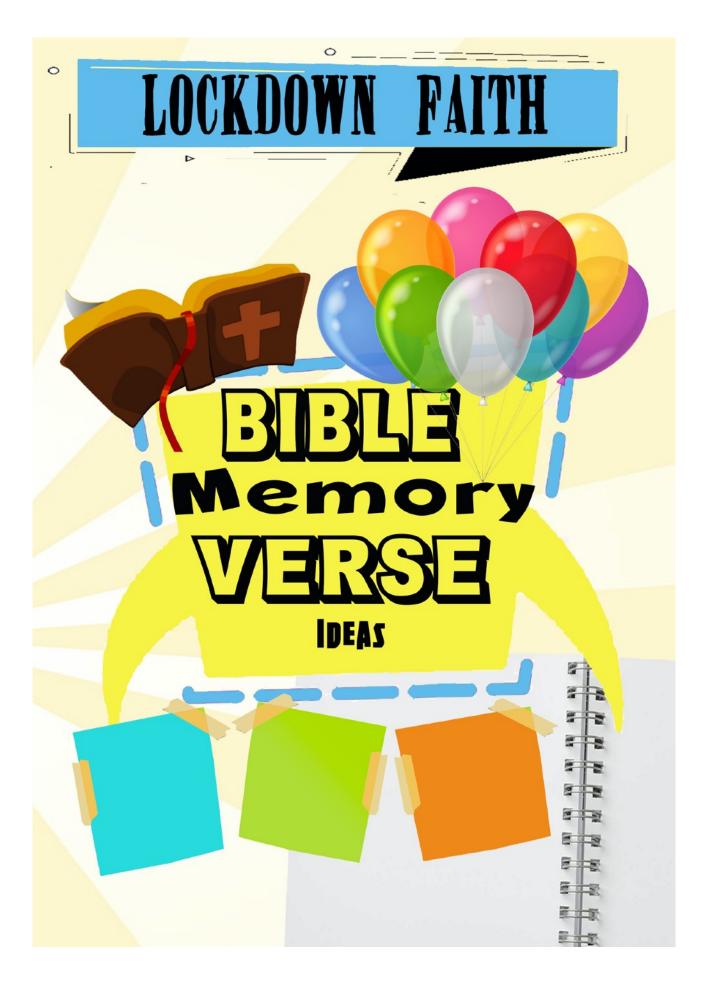
Large Group Story Telling Techniques https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dYZ 62BzJ3w

What's in the Bag Story Telling Idea https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y-Nu01DP_IQ

Story Telling using a CUBE Story https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rn_MefSfJsl

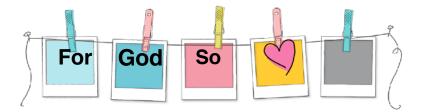
Making Stories and Story Telling Interactive https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dRZSmZSnHoc

Story Telling Naaman Story - Steve Harris (Block Lettering) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oluB8O957vQ



BIBLE MEMORY VERSE MADE EASY

#1 Bible verse Clothes Line Relay



What

A relay race to put the words of the verse in the correct order.

Supplies

Clothes Pegs, Clothes Line, Card for the verse to be written out (one word per card)

How

Teams of children will run a relay to put a verse in order. They will run to get each word and then hang each word on a clothes line with clothes pins in the correct order. . On "GO" the first player on each team runs to the table and picks up one card. He runs back to his team and pins the verse card on the clothes line by his team ... approximately where it appears in the Bible verse.

This process continues until the whole verse is hanging in the correct order.

Alternative #1Place the words of the verse on the line in the wrong order. Have each team member run to place their word in the correct order.

Alternative #2 Place all the words in a pile (all mixed up) on a table and have each team member go to the pile to find the next correct word of the verse. They then take their word to the clothesline and hang it on the line.

This process continues until the whole verse is hanging in the correct order.

The team to complete the verse in correct order are the winners.

#2 Bible verse Erase

What

Use a Whiteboard and eraser to memorise the Bible verse.

Supplies

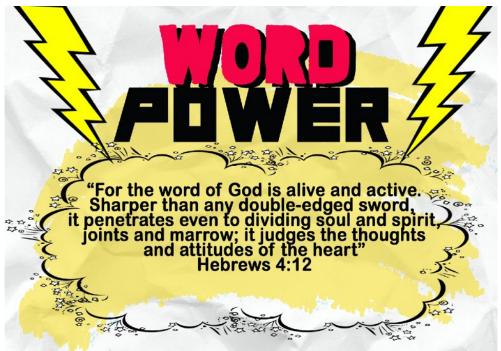
White Board, Whiteboard pens & Eraser Alternative: You can use a chalk board, chalk & Chalk Duster

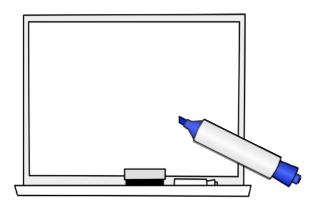


Write the Bible verse on the whiteboard. Have the children repeat it a number of times. Once they are repeating it well, begin to erase / remove the words one by one. Each time you remove a word, have the children repeat the verse filling in the missing words. By the end, all of the verse would have been removed as the kids repeat it from memory.

Alternative #1: You can have boys verses girls to see who can remember the entire verse in the shortest time possible.

Alternative #2: This could be a variety of alternatives - girls wearing socks say the verse, boys with jeans on say the verse all the time you are removing word by word.





#3 SMS Memory Verse

What

Write the memory verse out on a piece of paper using only the numbers used to write the words in an sms message, i.e. the numbers that correspond to the letters on the keypad. (Eg. "843 5673 47 4663 = "the lord is good").

Supplies

Each team will need a mobile phone or use their own, the Bible verse written in SMS code on a white board / video screen etc.

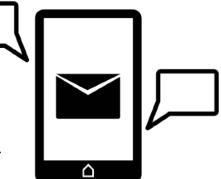
How

Alternative #1 Either in teams or individually if all kids have a mobile phone, allow them to use their phone pad to decipher the numbers corresponding to letters to write out the Bible verse.

Alternative #2 Have one phone per team. An SMS is sent to all those phones, the message is sent in number format, the groups have to see who can decode the Bible verse and write it out correctly.

Alternative #3 Same as Alternative #2 BUT this time the group SMS the correct decoded verse back to the leader who sent it originally.





#4 Mad Gab Memory Verse

What

This is a good game for introducing a new memory verse. Just like the card game 'Mad Gab' from Mattel©. It's a game of words and phrases, it's not what you say, <u>it's what you hear.</u>

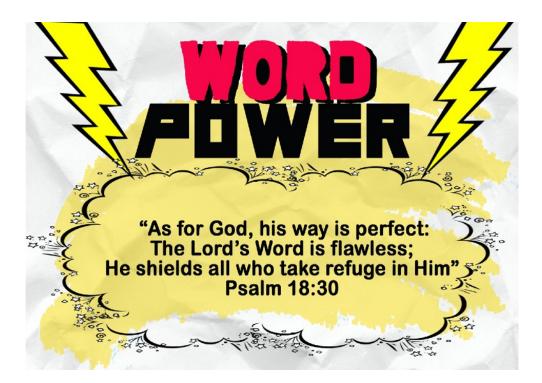
Supplies

White Board, whiteboard markers, blank papers and pens for each team

How

Say the words "Day Leo Fur Rings" a few times and you'll find you're saying. "daily offerings!", just sound it out. Write up the memory verse in Mad Gab style (eg. "Iron hot ash aimed off day goes bell" = I am not ashamed of the gospel). If it's a large memory verse split it into sections (ie. If there are 3 sections to the memory verse then make 3 rounds to the game, and when a team has solved the first section, give them the second, and so on until they solve the whole verse).

Players work in teams and compete against each other to solve the memory verse first, and when they have solved it, run up to the white board and write it out in full.





#5 Ji95aw **Pu**zzle

What

Divide the children into teams. Give them each on of the puzzles in pieces. The team has to put the puzzle together to reveal the Bible verse.

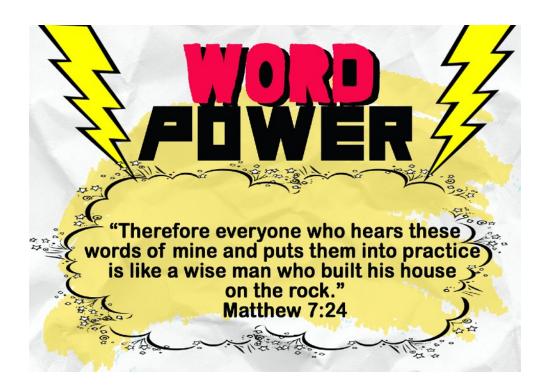
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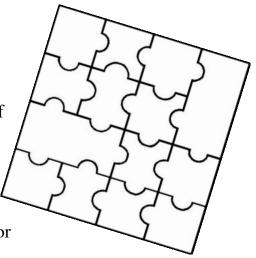
Blank Card Board puzzles (available at Craft shops or Stationary stores)

How

Write the memory verse on pieces of the cardboard Jigsaw puzzle- one word per puzzle piece

Divide everyone into groups and give one jigsaw puzzle to each group. The team that pieces the memory verse together first is the winner.





#6 Edible Memory Verse

What

Use Cookie letters or Cereal letters to create your memory verse. This can be done as a relay or an individual on each team.

Supplies

Cereal Letters or Cookie Letters. Letter Cookie cutters For cereal letters, you will also need Bowls, milk, spoons and a piece of A4 or A3 size card.

How

There are a few alternatives to making this Bible memory verse.

Alternative #1 If you are using the cereal letters

Put each teams letters into a cereal bowl. ADD Milk.

On "GO" they need to find and fish out the letters for each word of the memory verse. Place them onto the Card. the first team to complete the verse is the winner.

Alternative #2 Using Cookie Letters, place all the letters in a large bowl. The teams have to find the letters of each word. First team to complete the verse is the winner.

Allow the teams to eat their memory verse whether cereal or cookies.

Warning: Check for food allergies among the contestants first.

Alternative #3 If you are unable to find cookie letters or cereal letters, THEN have the children create the letters with play-doh and letter Cookie cutters.

This can be a team effort as they see which team can create the letters and place them in the correct order.

For all the above - have the teams recite the verse a few times. You can also use the "Eraser" idea #2 to remove letters and words as the groups memorise the verse.





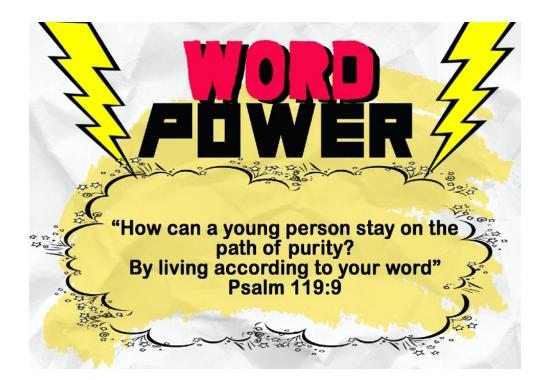
Alternative Lettering Formats



#1 Foam Lettering from your local toy stores

#2 Magnetic letters. These are a great investment. Using a magnetic board (most Whiteboards are magnetic)

I have used the magnetic lettering set many times including for Words in themes such as Christmas and Easter stories.



#7 Balloon Pop Bible Verse

What

Place a word from the memory verse into a balloon. Pop balloons to find the word and place in correct order.

Supplies

2 sets of Balloons, Paper with Bible verse individual words on them, Bibles

How

Take the Bible verse and print it onto a piece of paper. Cut the verse into individual words which are then placed in a balloon before being inflated.

You will then instruct the teams they have to pop the balloons, find the word in the balloon, then arrange the words in the correct order to make the verse.

Have one member of the team, have the Bible verse open in their Bibles so they can direct the team in placing the words in the right order.

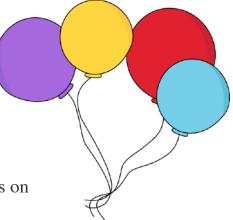
Have the children recite the verse a number of times.

Alternative #2 Blow up All of the balloons and tie closed. Lay the balloons on the floor in a large open area of the room. Instruct the children to form a circle around the balloons, and on the count of three have the kids stomp on the balloons with their feet until all of them are popped.

After all the balloons are popped, have the children pick up the slips of paper and work together to arrange the words of the memory verse in the correct order as fast as possible.

(SAFETY NOTE: Make sure that kids wait until instructed to pick up the pieces of paper with the verse on.

Make sure someone is allocated to pick up all the pieces of broken balloons to throw away.)





#8 Pass the Parcel

What

Hide a word of the memory verse in each layer of the parcel. With music playing, pass the parcel around the group till the music stops and then unravel a layer of the parcel.



Supplies

Parcel wrapped with a number of layers. Have the Bible verse placed word by word into seperate layers. Music on CD or live.

How

With music playing, pass the parcel around the group till the music stops and then unravel a layer of the parcel.

Repeat till all layers are unravelled and all words have been revealed. Have the group place the memory verse in order and **say out lout together.**

Alternative #2

Teach the memory verse to the group. Make a parcel with prizes in each layer. Have the group sit in a circle and pass the parcel around the group to each person while they say one word of the memory verse each out loud, whoever has the parcel when the memory verse has been said through gets to unwrap a layer. Repeat the process saying the memory verse each time until all the layers have been unwrapped. Inbetween the verse words, ADD some prizes into the layers.

This would be great if you were teaching a Bible verse relating to God giving good gifts etc.

#9 Sing and Action it

What

There are a number of alternatives to doing your memory verse to music.

Supplies

Music DVD's with words on the screen Live music

How

Divide into groups and have each group do the memory verse in a different music genre (rap, Opera, Country and Western , cartoon characters i.e. Donald Duck, Micky Mouse etc)

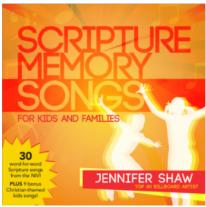
You could do it in a variety of voices such as "Squeaky voice, deep voice, whisper or while doing an action such as skipping etc.

If you are able to record the songs, you are then able to play them each week as a way to remember the verse.

There are some amazing resources available to help you sing scripture. ONE of the very best is **Jeff Mc Cullough from JumpStart3**. He has done some of the very best when it comes to putting scripture to music. His DVD's come with Words on screen plus showing you actions you can use to help kids remember the verse. I have asked a few friends around the world for their recommended singers who do Scripture Memory to music well. Here they are:











http://www.slugsandbugs.com/store



Youtube is ALIVE with many different Gospel artists who have creatively put Scripture to music. Many give the words on screen as the song is sung.



Trust in the lord <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1AdrFosx3qw</u>

A number of Jeff's songs with words on screen https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aUwk2ilJB_Q&index=2&list=RD1AdrFosx3qw

The Rizers sing Scripture in the form of upbeat pop/rock songs to reinforce God's Word in the hearts of kids and families. You can buy The Rizers albums at iTunes, AmazonMp3 or http://www.therizers.com

Two samples of their music. There are many more of their songs. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n5DBY3Bo_NA

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=pZHjbgFPylE&index=2&list=RDn5DBY3Bo_NA



Scripture Memory Kids

SMK have put a few Scripture songs. Below is a sample of them. These would possibly be for younger children. http://www.scripturememorykids.com/videos/

Seed Family Worship https://www.youtube.com/user/seedsfamilyworship

Lantern Music https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UC2T1Jp4mmmrmHOelavasNJg

Ephesians 2:10 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q7qq89l4ZPk

Scripture Lady (Kathy Vincent) Be Kind and loving to each other <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=jUNxotDbv54</u> Website: <u>https://scriptureladyshop.com</u>

Resourcewell

http://resourcewell.org We have 60 Bible memory verse songs! They are free and we love for people to use them! i'm including the link for SoundCloud, https://soundcloud.com/resourcewell-org

Worship Songs that teach Scripture

Bethel Kids Not all their songs are scripture direct BUT themes.











#10 Post it Memory Game

What

Just write one word per post it note and stick on the wall in random order.

Supplies

Post It Notes, Blue Tac / prestik

How

Kids will re-stick the post it notes on the wall to put the bible verse in order.

#11

Rebus

A **rebus** is an allusion device that uses pictures to represent words or parts of words. As you can see in the example here "My Sheep hear my voice and I know them"

Scan the internet for ideas. Any word that can be created in a picture form is a Rebus

#12

The FIVE "W" Questions

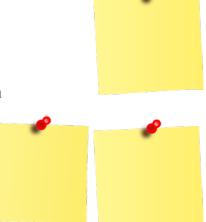
Have the children look up the verse in their Bibles, then practice saying it several times. Then have them close their Bible and answer:

who, what, why, when and where.





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#13 CATCH THAT VERSE

What

After reading a Bible verse a few times, it is time to "Catch" the verse using Ball

Supplies

You will need a soft ball, a rolled up sock, or a beanbag.

How

Have the kids look up the verse in their Bibles and read it several times. Then form a circle and give one child the ball. The child that catches the ball says the verse, then tosses the ball to someone else in the circle, who will then say the verse. Repeat enough times so everyone has a chance to say the verse.

#14 BACK AND FORTH

Divide the kids up into two groups. Have the two groups on opposite sides of the room. Taking turns have each group recite the verse. As soon as the first group finishes the second group begins reciting the verse. Go back and forth reciting the verse several times.

#15 Your Style Verse

What

Divide the group into two teams. The challenge is for each team to outdo the other in saying the memory verse in a creative way.

Supplies

Creative thinking, Actions and loud voices

How

Appoint a leader to each team who will help come up with creative moves, actions etc. Teams alternate saying the verse and ADD in their creative flair to the verse. An example: Team 1 could say the verse while hopping on one foot. Team 2 will respond by having the kids say the verse while clapping after each word. Team 1 then says the verse while doing another action or creative move with Team 2

responding by saying the verse while doing _____ and so on.







#16 The Hula Hoop Challenge

What

Place the verse on the board or a power point. Select one or more children to come to the front. The entire class says the verse and the

children up front must hula until it is completed. Play several times. See who can say the verse from memory.

Supplies

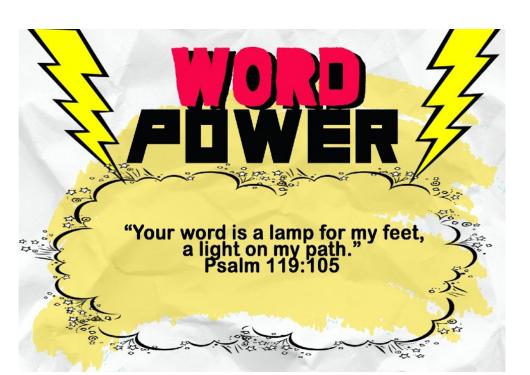
Hula Hoops, Bible verse written out

How

Place the verse on the board or a power point. Select one or more children to come to the front. The entire class says the verse and the children up front must hula until it is completed. Play several times. See who can say the verse from memory.

Alternative #2

Same as above but this time you use a Skipping Rope instead of Hula Hoops.







#17 Bean Bag TOSS.

What

Use several boxes or make a huge grid on the floor with masking tape. Place a word or phrase on each box or square.

Supplies

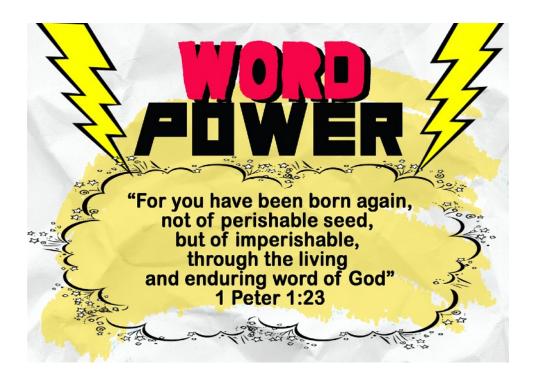
Boxes for each word of the verse or create grid on floor, Bean Bags or rolled up socks

How

Say the verse with the class then select someone to come and toss the bean bag. Remove the word that the bag was tossed into.

As an extra incentive, place some prizes in some or all the boxes or squares of the grid.

Keep repeating the verse each time a word is removed.





#18 Hot Potato Bible Verse

What

Have children sit on the floor in a circle. The first child says the first word of the verse and rolls a ball to anyone in the circle. The child receiving the ball says the second word of the verse and so on.

Supplies

You can either buy a real potato or ball. You could buy the 'hot Potato' Game.



Ideal Hot Potato Musical Potato-Passing Game is a wild,

frantic, electronic tater-tossing good time! players, Just squeeze the Hot Potato to start the music and let the fun begin. Pass the spud to the player next to you or even across the room. Toss the tater back and forth, up high, down low, around and around. Every time the potato goes off, the person with the potato in their hands has to say the next word of the verse.

Hot Seat Bible Verses

This game works best for multiple children. Write or type the Bible verse on a sheet of paper. Cut the words or phrases apart. Tape a word or phrase under random chairs in the classroom. After the kids are seated, ask them to look under their chairs to see if they are sitting in one of the "hot seats" – a chair that has a word under it. Whoever finds a word under their chair brings it to the front. The kids must arrange themselves in line, each holding up their word, so that the words are in the correct order.

Lots of Kids? Print the verse in different colours and mix them throughout the room. Then, all of the kids with a blue word under their seat must complete the blue verse while the kids with a red word under their seat must complete the red verse.



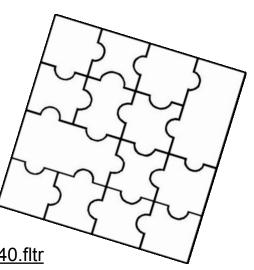
Bible verse Review Games for Kids

Some fun ways to review your memory verses

#19 **Puzzle Revie**w Game

What

For this bible verse review game you will need complete puzzles. You can find them cheap at \$2 Dollar shops or source your local supply. A great International company that supplies cheap is Oriental Trading <u>http://www.orientaltrading.com/toys-games-andnovelties/games-and-activities/puzzles-a1-550240.fltr</u> Their 24 piece puzzle is \$6:00 per dozen



Supplies

A 24-48 piece puzzles to be excellent for this review. These puzzles will have an picture on them which is what you want. Enough puzzles that each child has one to take home Ziplock Bags, Colour pens

How

Complete the puzzle and flip it over. Then write with the colour pens one (*or two*) words per piece to fit the entire memory verse on the puzzle pieces. Once completed, have each child place into a Ziplock bag to take home. They will memorise the verse each time they create the puzzle.

#20 Pomino Memory Game

What

Print a word of your desired bible verse per sticky label. Now stick the labels each on a domino making sure there is no overlap on at least one side so that they will not have trouble standing up.

Supplies

Set of Dominoes, Sticky labels (small enough to fit onto a domino), Bible verse.

How

Kids will love lining the dominoes up to make the verse and getting to knock them down when they are done. Do this few times as they review the Bible verse.

Each time they are knocked down, have the kids reset the dominoes in verse order then allow them to knock them down.

#21

Lego Bible verse Review

Create a block of Lego. Make the top line blank so kids will know how wide the block is suppose to be. Now using a sharpie or permanent marker to put one word on each Lego piece.

Kids will need to put together the memory verse word by word.

Note: Look out for cheap Legos at garage sales or if someone is getting rid of theirs.

Alternative #2 You can buy or use the EXTRA LARGE Lego type blocks called **MEGA BLOKS** so you can write the verse out larger and can be seen by a bigger group of kids





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#22 White Board Dash

What

This is a fun bible verse game to play with two teams.

Teams will have a memory verse in front of them with mostly blank lines

Teams can do the same verse or different ones. You can use one white board with a line down the middle or two white boards with one board per team

Supplies

White Board and Markers, Bible Verse(s)

How

To play, teams form a line and one at a time team members run to the front to add one word to the board. They run back and the next team member runs up to add another. The game continues until one team finishes their review memory verse.

Alternative # 2 Roll it Bible Verse Game

What

For this memory verse game identify the six most common words used and slide each of those word in the side or stick them onto the cube. Now type the verse and leave blank lines where the six most common words appear.

Supplies

You can use a number of versions of DICE or CUBE. You can find the Magnetic DICE from educational stores or online.

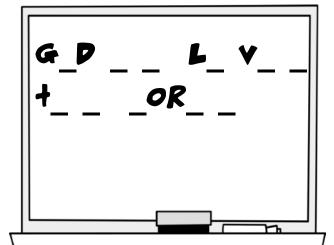
https://www.abcschoolsupplies.ie/cubes-dice/large-magneticdice

Alternatively you can create your own or buy a large CUBE upon which you can place words.

How

Kids will take turns rolling the dice and writing the word they rolled onto one of the blank lines. Kids continue until the verse is complete.





Bible verse Application

#23 Application Pictures

What

Ask the group "what situations would it be useful to know this memory verse?" and then draw pictures of those situations on the white board/butchers paper. You can give them a "Movie"

Supplies

Butcher paper or White Board. Comic Blank Page layout for each child, speech bubbles and shapes

How

The aim is for them to see how memorising the bible is useful in life. Alternatively, you can divide them into

groups to come up with their own situations and pictures,

then present it back to the group.

Allow the children to draw their own situations onto the comic page layout and add speech bubbles

24 Move it or Lose It

What

Children learn best by moving. Find actions to the words of your Memory Verse.

Supplies

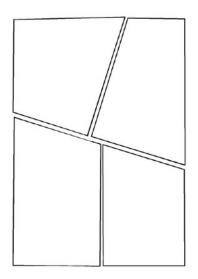
Creativity. Allow the kids to come up with actions or you create actions that match the words.

How

A creative way to help is to brainstorm motions with the children to match the memory verse. When children learn movements they are less likely to "lose it" from their memory. The more crazy and off the wall the action, the more likely they will remember the verse.









25 Visual Objects and Association

What

Find objects that kids can associate with words of the Memory Verse.

Supplies

Objects that connect to the words of the Memory Verse

How

As you teach the memory verse, use the objects to help kids make an association to the word. This would be similar to a REBUS except you are now using objects or items instead of pictures & drawings.

For Example: Upon this **ROCK** will I build my Church

26 Bible Sword Drill

What

The Bible is called the "Sword of the Spirit" It is a powerful weapon against the devil. This is a great way for kids to learn where to find scripture verses as they practice using the Sword of God's Word.

Supplies

Bibles

How

When the leader says "draw weapons", each person sits with their Bible held up in air (this is to keep people from putting their fingers IN the Bible while hold it up so there is no cheating).

The leader then calls out a scripture (i.e. Romans 3:23), saying it aloud. The leader then will say "Charge". As soon as "charge" is said, everyone tries to find that scripture in the Bible. The first person to find the scripture AND have their finger on the verse will stand up and start saying the scripture nice and loud. You could award prizes for the first person who finds the verse and reads it out loud.



#27 Surprise Box

What

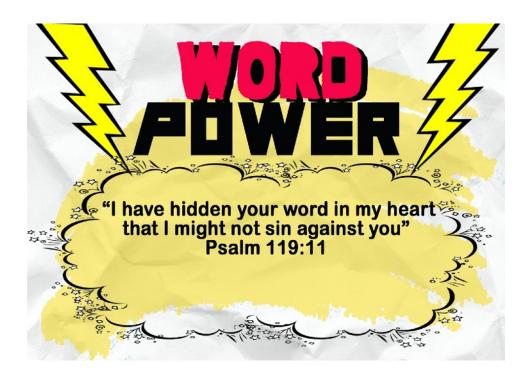
Decorate a box or container with an opening in top (large enough for your hand to freely move in and out with the memory verse words). Write each word of the memory verse on separate sheets of construction paper.

Supplies

Box or container, memory verse cut into individual words, large board or wall, blue tac / presik

How

Have the box to your one side. Take the words of your memory verse and place them in order in the front of the class. Have your group say the verse a few times with all the words, then ask for a volunteer to take away a word and put it in the "Surprise Box". Ask the class if they can say the verse with the missing word. Continue until all words are in the box. Then ask for volunteers to pick one word out of the box and see if they can put it back, continuing until the verse has been reconstructed.



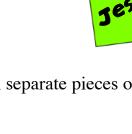
#28 Straw Relay

What

As a relay race, each team member must pick up one word of the memory verse with their straw, and carry it to their team's table on the other side of the room.

Supplies

Wide Plastic Straws, Memory verse words written on separate pieces of Post It Notes or similar size.



How

Use straws to pick up the Bible memory verse words from a table then run back Cut drinking straws in half (approximately 4" pieces), one for each child. (Wide straws are best.) Make two sets of the memory verse on small pieces of construction paper (approximately 2 1/4" X 3"), each set on a different colour. Divide group into teams. Place the words on a table for each team.

As a relay race, each team member must pick up one word of the memory verse with their straw, and carry it to their team's table on the other side of the room. The first team to put the verse together in the correct order and recite the verse wins.

- 2 Play a game of charades and act out each word of the verse
- 3 Play wheel of fortune with the memory verse

Pull a word out of a bowl of whipped cream, slime, or other interesting food choice, then put the words together

Turn the memory verse into a word search

One-Minute Pit Stop. Gather the kids for a speedy pit stop to refuel with God's Word. Using a timer, each child gets one minute to practice their memory verse out loud while the others listen. (A helpful activity for auditory learner

#29 Bible Memory Verse Apps & Games

The following are websites of companies that create "Games and Apps for Bible Verse Memory

Impress Kids

Have created great games like **Verse Hero, Granny's Bible Dojo, and Lily Pad Hop**, as well as produced a number of great videos to support the service. Granny's Bible Dojo is also released as an app on iOS. This is a free to play website of these games <u>http://impresskids.com/play/verse-hero/15526</u>

You may want to "live stream" these games into your kids ministry for a particular verse that matches up with your lesson or theme.

super Book Kids Bible App

Let the Adventure Begin!

This Free iPad & iPhone Bible App, Free Android Bible App, Free Kindle Bible App for kids is a mediarich experience that helps bring the Bible to life with videos and images from the Emmy nominated SUPERBOOK animation series as well as engaging interactive games.

Now featuring full-length, **FREE EPISODES** from the Emmy nominated Superbook series including David and Goliath, The Ten Commandments, Daniel and the Lions' Den. and The First Christmas!

Videos and interactive content embedded within the Bible, so kids can easily interact with each chapter of the children's Bible.

Biblical answers to hundreds of questions that are common to children. This free kids Bible app also includes profiles of people, places and artefacts











found in the Bible.

http://www.cbn.com/superbook/superbook-free-kids-bible-app.aspx

The Game of Destiny

This game is designed to help parents teach their elementary age kids about character and living the Christian life. It brings up many teaching/discussion scenarios which provide easy opportunities for coaching, all in the context of having fun together. <u>http://www.thegameofdestiny.com</u>

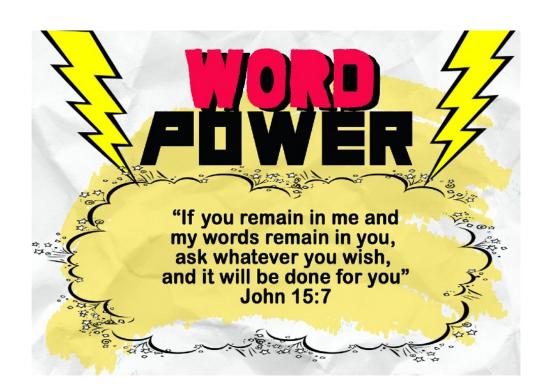
Adventure Bible App for Kids

This app is FREE in the two lite versions available for Ipad and Iphone. The lite version is designed for Bible memory; you can do verse scrambles, choosing easy, medium or hard levels. You can even record your own voice reading your favourite Bible verse. The full version of the app costs \$1.99





https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/adventure-bible-memory-hd/id432978219?mt=8



Crafts for Memory Verse

#30 Bible Book Markers

There are number of websites that allow you to download templates for book marks with Scriptures on them.

Alternative #1 You can create Book Marks in Photoshop or Photoshop Elements. The sample here was done in less than 2 minutes.

Alternative #2 Let the kids create bookmarks with the memory verse on it.

#31 Bible verse Poster.

What

Choose a memory verse or passage as a theme verse. You can either create your poster in a publishing program such as Photoshop as per our example or you can write it on a piece of poster board which can then be coloured in and decorated.

Supplies

Computer, Creativity, Poster Card, Colour pens or paints with brushes.

How

Decorate the poster with pictures or drawings. Create a new poster each week that can be displayed in your kids Ministry Rooms.





#32 Bible verse Collage.

What

Using magazines, catalogs, and scrapbooking items, material textures to create a Bible Verse Scrapbooking Collage

Supplies

Scrapbooking Blank Backgrounds, scrapbooking items, magazine, junk-mail catalogues etc. Glue, Colour pens, textures material such as Hessian etc. What ever you want to ADD to your collage.

How

Cut out the words of a verse along with pictures that link the verse for memory.

To make a Larger Collage, join 3 or 4 Scrapbooking backgrounds or cut them up as part of a larger collage. Choose a Bible Verse you want to use.

You may want to use a THEME of Bible verses to help teach a concept or overall truth from the Bible.

(For hard-to-find words, cut out individual letters.) Layout the verse(s) then glue the words and pictures to a sheet of construction or scrapbooking paper.

#33 Journal Memory Verses

What

Create Black & White Journal of multiple pages that kids can write the Bible verse down each week.

Supplies

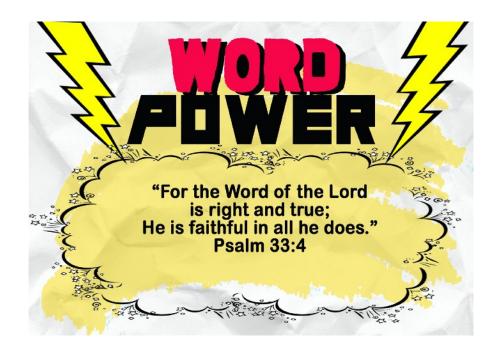
Black & White Bible Memory Verse Journal created like a book

What

Each week kids will write out the Bible verse on a new page. You can design the pages with the same layout so their is a routine format of what needs to be done. Each child learns in a unique way. There are those who love to write while others love to draw and doodle. there are those who enjoy doing both. The Journal Memory Verse page can be creatively completed as the child desires. During the week the kids will answer the BIG questions on the page, find ways to apply that verse, colour in the page, scrapbooking ideas to decorate the page. The following week let the children show their page and works of art as well discuss

what they found from the Bible verse.

Sample page at the end of this manual.



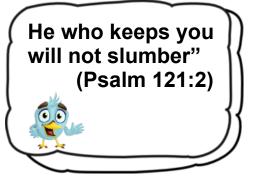
#34 Promises Pillowcase

What

Create a Promise Pillowcase covered with Bible verses.

Buy an inexpensive cotton pillowcase. Create your own God's Promises pillowcase.

Using permanent markers or fabric paints you can personalise it with reassuring and comforting verses. For example if you created a Promise



Pillowcase with promises about God taking care of us. You could use "He who keeps you will not slumber" (Psalm 121:2) or "In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, O Lord, will keep me safe" (Psalm 4:8 NLT).

Supplies

Cotton Pillowcase, Permanent markers or fabric paints

How

Using permanent markers or fabric paints you can personalise the Pillowcase with reassuring and comforting verses.

If you want to add colour to the pillowcase, you can Tie-dye it before writing the scripture verses on it. Why not use Bible verses that speak about God giving you peace as you sleep , about His Character and Nature. These are great reminders of God's Goodness towards us.

Example verses

"He who keeps you will not slumber" (Psalm 121:2)

"In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, O Lord, will keep me safe" (Psalm 4:8 NLT).

Proverbs 3:24 "When you lie down, you will not be afraid; When you lie down, your sleep will be sweet."

#35 Bible Truth Treasure Chest

What

Buy an inexpensive wooden box or create a box to look like a treasure chest. This will be used to hold all the Bible verses you have memorised.

This could also be a project that each child makes at Kids Ministry and takes home to use.

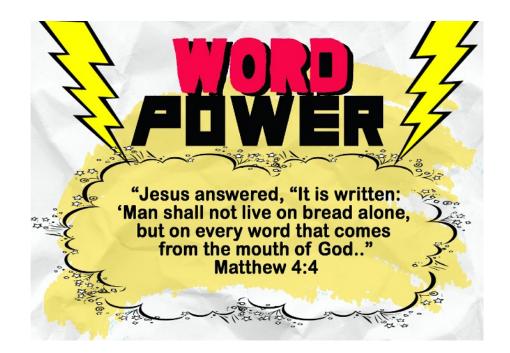
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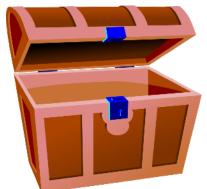
Buy or create a Treasure Chest box that can be used to put your weekly Bible memory verses in.

Gold Spray paint, Hot Glue gun, plastic or real old coins

How

Spray paint or brush paint the outside with matt gold or if you are very creative make it look antique. Hot glue plastic coin pieces or even real older coins on the top. With a permanent marker or paint pen, write Psalm 119:11 on the side, "I have hidden your Word in my heart that i might not sin against You."Store your memory verse cards inside.







YouTube sites with other Bible Memory Verse ideas

Bag It with scripture Lady

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mvee5c016rY

Cheer Chant and Repetition with susan Wright

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=osWHfZaSGOE

Teaching BIBLE MEMORY VERSE using MUSIC & SKETCHING with BOX LETTERS with Susan Wright

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JtLkEirPTRA

Bible Memory Verse using rhythm with Susan Wright <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eq60sdHmDZE</u>

Bible Memory Verse Song & Mexican Hat Pance

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sPspWF9NDEI

Fun ways to Memorise Bible verses by 100 Huntley

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=swRd9vS_ci4

Free Pownloads PDF

http://epicstory.com/downloads/epic_bible_act.pdf

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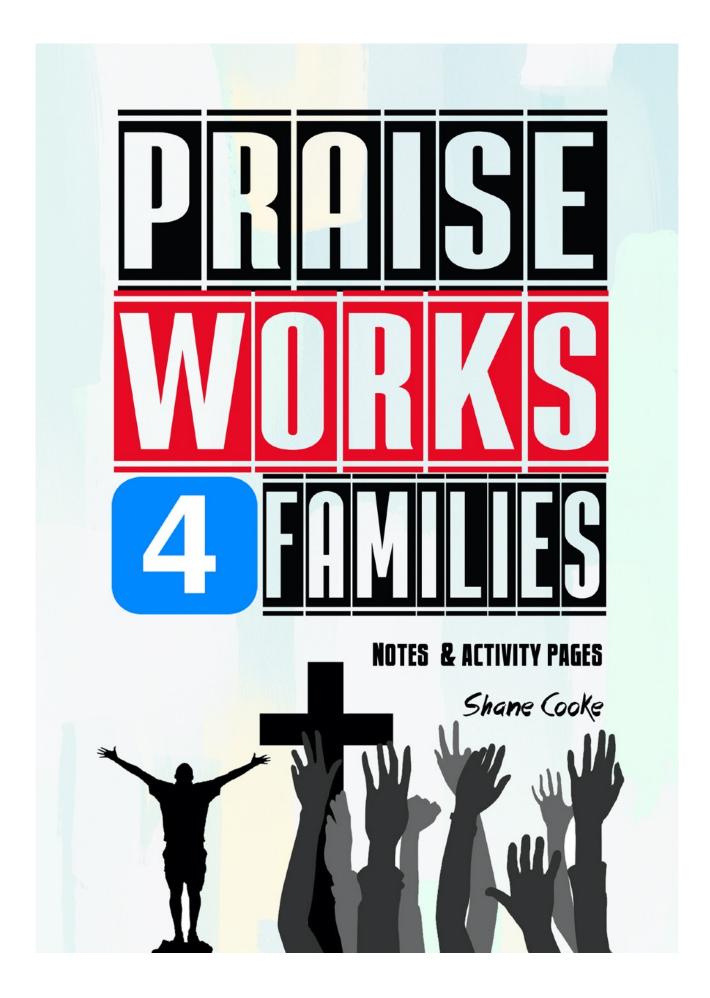
Games that Teach

http://www.calvarymv.com/childrensresources/childrensministry/tips-and-tricks/ GamesThatTeach.pdf

Bible Journaling for Kids

Some creative ideas that can be shared with your kids on how to Bible Journal. http://www.thelittlestway.com/bible-journaling-with-children/

Some basic tips and ideas for creating Journals http://www.shelivesfree.com/2015/01/bible-journaling-kids.html



Creating PRAISE Pathways for your Family

Worship is the ONLY thing that is on the earth that was not created here. It was created in HEAVEN. It was created for ONE PURPOSE - to GIVE it ALL TO THE ONE WHO MADE US.

The Bible says that God INHABITS the Praises of His People. He sits down in AUTHORITY when PRAISES and WORSHIP are given from the HEART.

It is Praise that silences the enemy as little children give perfect praise.

What is PERFECT PRAISE?

It is not having the greatest band or musicians playing or performing. It is HEART CONDITIONS that give HUNGRY PRAISE to God. That God is the ALL in ALL as we seek Him and Encounter Him.

Praise is a **GATEWAY and DOORWAY** of bringing Heaven into our circumstances and moments.

Praise and Worship are **ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS** that are needed in our Kids Ministries and our homes.

I am a HUGE believer in not having to re-invent the wheel. If we don't have incredible musicians, there are many resources that will make your Praise & Worship an environment where your children can encounter God in Deep and Personal ways.

This Resource here is to give you some powerful songs that have been created in a great way to engage your kids in Praise. They come with words on the screen. You can download them and use them in your ministry or home with your own family.

It is an interesting mindset that has caused us to believe Praise is FAST songs and Worship are SLOW Songs.

Praise Songs DO NOT NEED TO BE FAST or SLOW

Praise Songs emphasise WHAT GOD has Done

Worship songs Focus on God's Nature and Character. It is WHO HE IS.

The Content of a song will tell you whether it is Praise and Worship.



Good Good Father https://youtu.be/eE_I-Klp2Uk

We Lift you higher https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pUWo2S_eYzk

I am no longer a Slave to Fear https://youtu.be/EGh0mnH2FYE

To Be like you https://youtu.be/IWPM1ozDndg

Change my Heart oh God https://youtu.be/DwudqCO7mSQ

Brighter https://youtu.be/cBvPpnx4Fzg

This is for Living https://youtu.be/InaV8NVp5aY

This little Light https://youtu.be/wIL2qGJiAqY

WaveWalker https://youtu.be/5bGE47nQbnw

Grateful https://youtu.be/AbY0pfYS8vc

Drops in the Ocean https://youtu.be/ePYjJ66zvGg

Bullet Proof https://youtu.be/bg11ygdsomg

You Wont let Go https://youtu.be/GCUYS95AZ0A

Kids Praise & Worship Songs (Saddleback) https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL5aPdmniG3y82iDvFFRTUrYDxXOe05o3b Way Maker https://youtu.be/0wyotu9Twko

One Way https://youtu.be/G689PIEXiXk

I came to Praise https://youtu.be/MMv1BKUnAK4

Forever https://youtu.be/SAvgQSGd4K0

Hey Jesus Loves Me https://youtu.be/oliRIM6iw3c

Who you say I am https://youtu.be/Y0LHTDVy5C0

I Believe in Jesus https://youtu.be/pRQhEp6Cwfw

Our God is a great Big God https://youtu.be/0K3TUFFpmhA

We wanna see Jesus lifted High https://youtu.be/WLJmRPvhgdo

The Rizers: For God so loved the world https://youtu.be/k2iHNzNJkJw

The Rizers: His Love Endures Forever https://youtu.be/pZHjbgFPylE

Yancy: Super Wonderful https://youtu.be/CShCK9yjbiA

There are a number of other Musicians WHOM I LOVE what they do.

Jeff Mc Cullough of JumpStart3

ALL of his songs are SCRIPTURE put to music. He also creates the songs in various versions for you to use. These versions include On Screen Words With Added Voices or Without Motions

Samples

Trust in the Lord (Proverbs 3:5-6) https://youtu.be/1AdrFosx3qw

House on the Rock (Matthew 7:24) https://youtu.be/a8p56i3S2SM

Sean W Smith

I am a BIG FAN of Sean. I love his passion for the generations.

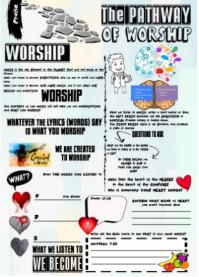
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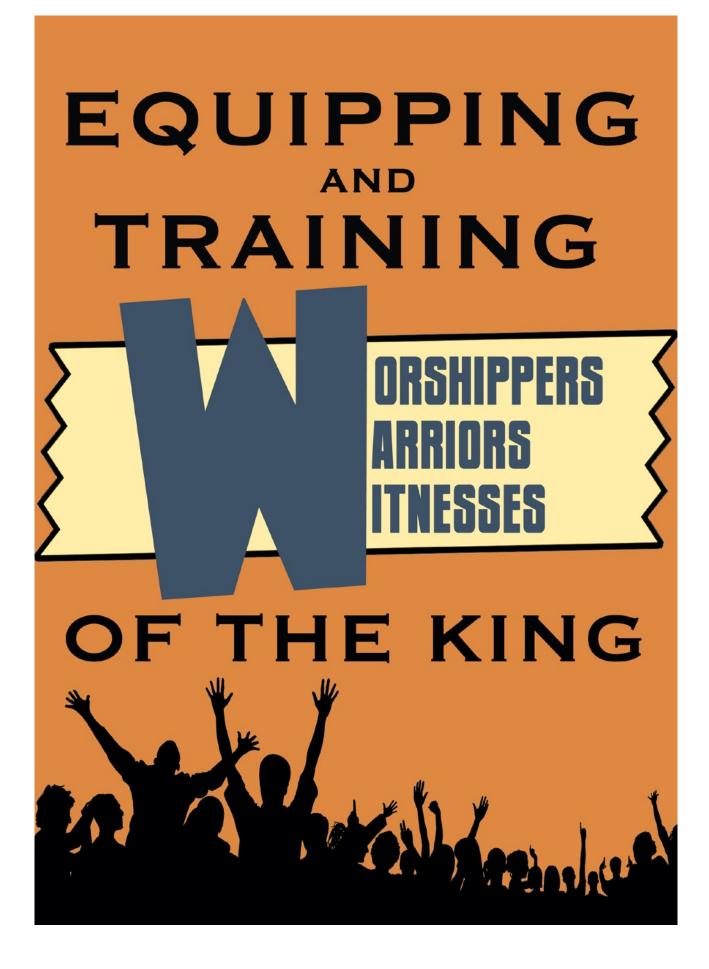
Dance like you mean it https://youtu.be/Blb0wfH6m1M

JC Work Out https://youtu.be/qw67N9MSv68 Some of the Praise Sheets I have created as part of the Series "Praise WORKS for Kids" Road Blocks and Breakthroughs









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