## THEME: I am a victory kid!

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### AFTER WORSHIP:

#### BIRLE PRESENTATIR:

#### Live Host:

"Alright Victory Kids — now I need everyone's attention, because this moment is super special!" (Pauses for effect) "Here at Victory Kids, we love when friends come to visit... but we REALLY love when they come back again... and again... and again!" (Smiles big)

"So today, if this is your third time hanging out with us here at Victory Kids, we've got something AWESOME just for you!" "If that's you — go ahead and raise your hand nice and high so our team can spot you. Come to the stage because we want to celebrate you BIG TIME!" We have something really special that we want to give you..." (Team members hand out Bibles) "A brand-new Bible just for YOU! Because we believe God's Word is the best gift ever — it's full of hope, adventure, truth, and it reminds us every day who we are and how much God loves us!"

Can we clap it up and make some noise for our third-time friends getting their Bibles today?!"(Claps hands, and waits for applause, celebrates big). And if you're sitting there thinking, 'Hey, I want a Bible like that!' — no worries! Keep coming, keep learning, and we'll have something for you too!"

# CODDECT: CHECK IN / PRE SERVICE GAMES

**10 Mins** 

THIS IS OPTIODAL, IF IT ISD'T DEEDED, PLEASE FEEL FLEE DOT TO USE IT)

**Pre Service Game Stations:** As students are being checked in, use this time to get to know each student. Help them get comfortable in the classroom and find a friend or group to play games with. If you have enough volunteers in the room, get involved with the games. Fun builds trust with kids, so don't be afraid to have fun with them! Make sure everyone helps put away preservice games before large groups start.

### **GAME STATIONS**

**20 Mins** 

**Live Host:** Let's have our leaders come down to the front to get ready for games!

Are you ready for a game? Shout YES! I can't hear you! Let's get ready to play VICTORY LOOPS CHALLENGE! (Note for Live Host: make sure to give commentary during the game, and encourage the audience to cheer throughout the game).

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#### VICTORY LOOPS CHALLEDGE

- Items Needed: Chopsticks (Victory Sticks), 4 piles of Fruit Loops cereal, a Timer, measuring tape or ruler.
- **Live Host:** I If you are ready for the first game, shout YES! Let's get ready to play Victory Loops! I need four contestants to join me on stage. On the count of 3, each contestant will grab a pair of chopsticks, and they will have 45 seconds to build the tallest tower. Remember, you can't use your hands; only use your chopsticks. At the end of 45 seconds the contestant with the tallest tower will receive 2 Bible Bucks.

One....Two... Three... GO...

(Note for Live Host: make sure to give commentary during the game, and encourage the audience to cheer throughout the game)

#### **GOD'S LOVE LELAY**

- Items Needed: Heart cutouts, two buckets, tape marking starting line and finish line
- **Live Host:** I need 4 contestants to join me onstage (2 contestants per team). Here are the rules of the game: each team will stand at the starting line at GO, one teammate will speedwalk to the finish line to place one heart in their team's bucket. They will then speedwalk back to tag their teammate who will speedwalk to place another heart into their team's bucket.

The team with the most hearts in their bucket will receive 3 Bible Bucks.

# FIOW: WELCOME, FIRST-TIME VISITORS, WORSHIP & OFFCRING 25 MINS

**Live Host:** We want to welcome our first-time visitors in a big way! If this is your first time visiting with us, we are so excited that you are here! So why don't we do this? Let's have everyone stand and clap out as we welcome our guests and get ready for worship.

# INTRO: MEMORY VERSE

#### 5 Mins

**Live Host:** Hey, Victory Kids! Are you ready? We've been learning what it really means to be a Victory Kid. God has called us to live in the world, but not to live like the world. That means we don't follow the crowd—we follow Jesus. Instead of copying what everyone else is doing, we let God change the way we think by renewing our minds with His Word. As Victory Kids, we're called to see others, love others, and treat others the way God would.

Now, if you are ready to hear this month's memory verse, shout **Yes**... Cue memory verse video

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### **LESSON RECAP VIDEO**

1 Min

#### LIVE HOST'S INTTO TO LESSON

#### **5-7 Mins**

**Live Host:** Hey Victory Kids! How's everybody doing today? Our series this month is all about one big question: Who am I? Have you ever thought about that? Maybe you've asked, "What makes me special?" or "Why did God make me this way?" Well, guess what? God's Word has the answers and we're going to discover them together!

We're on an exciting journey to find out what God says about YOU. We have heard some amazing truths about who we are in Christ. And what does that mean? It means our identity is found in Jesus. We are loved, we are made on purpose, and we belong to Him.

So far, we have learned that we are loved by God through the story of John. Then we learned God knows who I am through the life of Jeremiah. Last week we learned that our identity is found in Christ through the Bible story of Moses.

So, get ready to dive into today's lesson and see what God has to say about who we are!

Being a Victory Kid means I belong to God's family.

**Key Scripture:** Our key scripture for this lesson comes from John 1:12, But some people did accept him. They believed in him. To them, he gave the right to become children of God.

(At this point, you can decide to play the lesson video or act out August Week 4 of Victory Vee Skit)

### LESSON VIDEO OR VICTORY VEE SKIT

**2-3 MINS** 

(Both are found in the media file)

### MINISTRY LESSON

10 Mins

**Supplies needed: Supplies:** A picture frame with a photo of a family.

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**Live Host Hook:** Good morning, everyone! Have you ever been invited to something special, like a birthday party, a game, or a fun sleepover? It feels really good to be invited, doesn't it? (wait for responses)

Well, guess what? God has given the greatest invitation ever, and it's just for you to be part of His family. Not just like a guest or a visitor, but a real, loved child in His forever family.

Today, we're going to learn about someone in the Bible who spent most of his life trying to make his own identity—Jacob, because He did not know that He was already a part of the family of God. We're also going to learn what it really means to be part of God's family—and how amazing it is to be called His child?

#### How do you Identify Yourself?

Take a look at this (show the picture in the frame)! It's a picture of (name the family in the picture) family. It might remind you of the pictures in your family, filled with memories, smiles, and people who are important to you. Let me ask you a big question—Who are you in your family? We live in a time where we identify people by labels. Are you the really smart one? The funny one? The quiet one? The shy one. Maybe you're the neat one that does all the dishes or always must clean up after their sibling, the athletic one or the one who feels like they don't quite fit in. Sometimes, we try to figure out who we are by what people say about us, what we're good at, or even the mistakes we've made. But what happens when those things change? What happens when we don't think we belong to the family? When we try to create our identity without God, we struggle. We learn this through the story of Jacob.

#### God Invites Me Into His Family

Jacob had a twin brother, Esau; they grew up together but had very different characters. Esau liked to hunt outdoors, and Jacob liked to stay indoors under the tents. We learn from Jacob's story that he struggled because he didn't really know who he was. His name Jacob meant "trickster" or "deceiver." And for a big part of his life, that's exactly how he lived. He tricked his brother Esau out of his birthright. He lied to his father to steal a blessing that didn't belong to him. He ran away, afraid, and unsure of who he really was.

Jacob spent a lot of time trying to do things on his own terms, Jacob made mistakes, but God never gave up on him. That's true for us, too! Remember 2 weeks ago when we talked about God's forgiveness. When we believe in Jesus we are forgiven, loved, and welcomed to his family forever. Everything changed for Jacob one night, and a man (really, God in human form) came and wrestled with him all night (Genesis 32:24–30). Jacob understood that his identity was truly found in God and realized he couldn't win by his own strength. Jacob asked for a blessing, instead of taking it this time, and received it from God Himself. Just like Jacob, when we surrender to Him, we find out who we truly are—His.

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#### I Belong to God Forever

Jacob wanted blessings and approval, but he didn't trust God to give them. Instead of living as someone loved by God, he tried to earn everything on his own. That's the conflict: Jacob wanted the blessing of God, but he wasn't willing to follow God's way—at least, not at first.

But when Jacob did truly follow God, He changed his name from Jacob ("deceiver") to Israel ("one who wrestles with God" or "God fights"). That moment wasn't just a name change—it was an identity change. Jacob wasn't just a trickster anymore—he was part of God's family and purpose.

### MINISTRY MOMENT

#### 10 Mins

Raise your hand and tell me something you learned today. I am giving away Bible bucks!

When I believe in Jesus, I become part of God's forever family, and I can live with love, joy, and courage because I belong to Him. Today, we learned that being a Victory Kid means I Belong to God's Family.

- How do you identify yourself?
- God invites me to His Family.
- I belong to God forever

Being a part of God's family means you are never alone, nor do you have to wonder if you belong. And here's the best part: there are no favorites or rankings in God's family. Every single child is loved the same, welcomed the same, and included the same. Whether you've believed in Jesus for a long time or you're just learning about Him now, God wants you in His family. You are not just known—you are chosen. You're not just invited—you're wanted.

#### **Call to Action**

Today, we learned that We belong to God's family; For your call to action this week:

Have a family faith talk. Ask someone in your family—like a parent, grandparent, older sibling, or guardian—to tell you about when they started following Jesus. Then talk about what you believe about God too!

Here are some questions you can ask your family member:

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- 1. When did you first learn about Jesus?
- 2. What made you want to follow Him?
- 3. How did your life change after you believed in Him?
- 4. Have you ever had a time when you really felt God was with you?
- 5. What's something you've learned about being a child of God?

Next Sunday, we will share in our small groups and receive some Bible Bucks!

# WRAP-UP & CLOSING PRAYER

#### 5 Mins

(If your campus begins with small groups, please ask review questions before closing prayer. If your campus ends with small group, move directly to closing prayer (these questions will be asked and answered in small group)

- 1. Can anyone be kicked out of God's family? No. When we believe in Jesus, we belong to Him forever.
- 2. What did God change Jacob's name to and what does it mean? Israel -one who wrestles with God
- 3. What does it mean to you to be part of God's family? Various answers (Encourages kids to express personal thoughts about belonging and God's love.)
- 4. What happens when we try to create our identity without God? Various answers
- 5. What was Jacob's Twin's name? Esau
- 6. What did Jacob ask for when he wrestled with God? A blessing.

Before we move to small group, let us take a moment to pray

#### **Closing Prayer**

Dear Lord,

Thank You for inviting me into Your family. Thank You for loving me, choosing me, and calling me Your child. Help me remember that I belong to You forever. Fill me with Your love, and this week, help me show others what it means to be part of Your family. I love You, and I'm so glad I belong to You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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SMALL GROUP OPTION ONE - (There are TWO options provided for small group the second one is for the campuses that does small group first)

#### **INTRO**

**Live Host:** Good morning, everyone! I hope you enjoyed today's lesson. Can anyone tell me what you learned today? **(wait for students' responses)** 

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#### ICEBREAKER

- 1. Can anyone be kicked out of God's family? No. When we believe in Jesus, we belong to Him forever.
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- 3. What does it mean to you to be part of God's family? Various answers (Encourages kids to express personal thoughts about belonging and God's love.)
- 4. What happens when we try to create our identity without God? (Various answers)
- 5. What did Jacob ask for when he wrestled with God? A blessing.

Great job answering the questions. Does anybody remember what we were supposed to do last week for our call to action? **Wait for responses...** For our call to action, we were to:

Your call to action for last week was to pause and reflect on Romans 8:28 when you feel like you're not good enough or start to forget who you are in Christ.

Keep a small notebook or piece of paper with you. When something hard or frustrating happens, read the key Scripture Romans 8:28, and write down how God might use it for good. Later, look back and remind yourself: God has designed your story, He's the one who defines who you are, and He is working out all things for your good.

Remember, whoever shares receives Bible Bucks.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Tell students we're starting prayer, remain with eyes closed, and focus attention on God. Ask for any prayer requests they would like to share. If your small group needs a little encouragement, give them categories like **family, school, or friends** to get them thinking about areas they need prayer in. After students share, lead the group in prayer, covering each prayer request, using the name of each student that asks for prayer.

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# RECAP CALL TO ACTION 5 MINS

#### Today, we learned that I am a child of God

For your call to action this week. Have a family faith talk. Ask someone in your family—like a parent, grandparent, older sibling, or guardian—to tell you about when they started following Jesus. Then talk about what you believe about God too! Here are some questions you can ask your family member:

- 1. When did you first learn about Jesus?
- 2. What made you want to follow Him?
- 3. How did your life change after you believed in Him?
- 4. Have you ever had a time when you really felt God was with you?
- 5. What's something you've learned about being a child of God?

Next Sunday, we will share in our small groups (Who you talked to; One thing they said that stood out to you) and receive some Bible Bucks!

# **S.O.A.P** 10 Mins

Please use the S.O.A.P sheet.

#### ACTIVITY: (OPTIODAL)

This activity can be taken from the game station section if needed.

#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

Dear God, Thank You for inviting me into Your family. Thank You for loving me, choosing me, and calling me Your child. Help me remember that I belong to You forever. Fill me with Your love, and this week, help me show others what it means to be part of Your family. I love You, and I'm so glad I belong to You. In Jesus' name, Amen. believe that we are chosen, loved, known, and Yours. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

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**S.O.A.P** 

**S.O.A.P** is a simple but helpful way to study the Bible and apply it to our own lives.

**S.O.A.P** stands for, **SCRIPTURE**, **OBSCRVATIR**, **APPLICATIR** AND **PRAYER** and involves four simple steps.

#### S: SCRIPTURE

You physically write out the scripture. You'll be amazed what God will reveal to you just by taking the time to slow down and actually write out what you are reading!

#### 0: OBSCRVatir

What do you notice about the verses? What do you think the main message is? What verses, words or ideas jump out to you? Who is the audience? Is there a repetition of words?

#### A. APPLICATION

Ask God how He wants you to apply the verse to your own life. This is when God's Word becomes personal. What is God saying to me today? How can I apply what I just read to my own personal life? What changes do I need to make? Is there an action that I need to take?

#### P: PRAYER

Pray God's Word back to Him. If He has revealed something to you during this time in His Word, pray about it. Confess if He has revealed some sin that is in your life.

### **LET'S S.O.A.P TOGETHER**

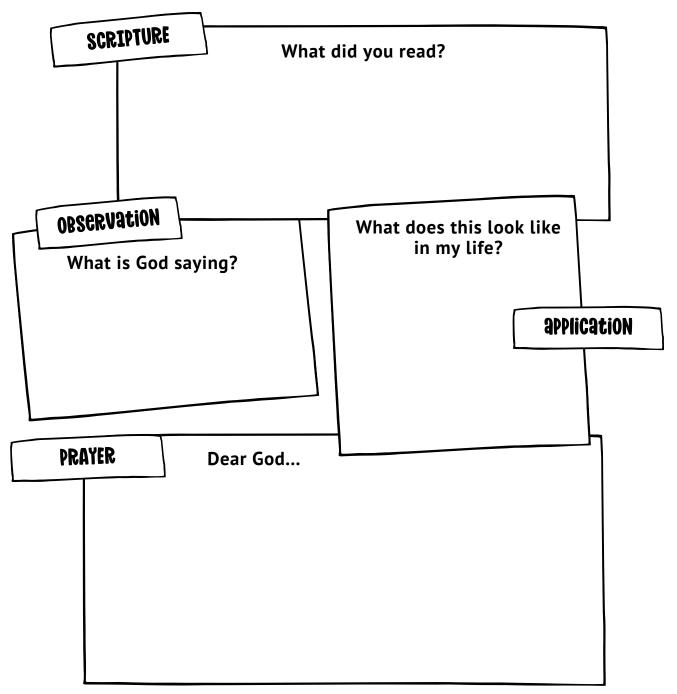
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**JOHN 1:12** 

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Check out this month's Memory Verse Song!

