

VICTORY KIDS ELEMENTARY

THEME: Wild West Faith

"THE GRASS DIES, AND THE FLOWERS FALL. BUT THE WORD OF OUR GOD WILL LIVE FOREVER"

ISAIAH 40:8 (ICB)

AFTER WORSHIP:

BIBLE PRESENTATION:

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!"

CONNECT: CHECK IN / PRE SERVICE GAMES

10 MINS

THIS IS OPTIONAL, IF IT ISN'T NEEDED. PLEASE FEEL FREE NOT 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 SADDLE UP & SHARE!

(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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SADDLE UP & SHARE!

- **Items Needed:** Faith sentences for each team
- **Live Host:** I need 8 contestants to join me on stage (2 teams of 4). This is the old school game telephone. Each teammate should stand side by side. The first teammate will look at the paper and whisper a faith sentence, and they should whisper that message to the next teammate (each teammate can only whisper the faith message once), each teammate will continue to whisper the message until they get to the last teammate. The last teammate will go back and tell the Live Host their team's faith sentence. The team that gets their faith sentence closest to correct receives 3 Bible Bucks.

SHERIFF SAYS

- **Items Needed:** Sheriff says commands
- **Live Host:** Are you ready for the next game? Shout Yes! I need 10 contestants to join me onstage. This game is called Sheriff Says. Now we all know when the Sheriff is in town, they are running the show, so when the Sheriff gives you a command to follow, you will do it, but remember, you must hear Sheriff Says. The last contestant standing receives 2 Bible Bucks.

FLOW: WELCOME, FIRST-TIME VISITORS, WORSHIP & OFFERING

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? This month so far, we've been learning what it means to have Wild West Faith! That kind of faith doesn't just sit still it moves when God says move, trusts even when the trail gets tough, and stands strong when the world around us gets shaky. We've learned that we don't follow the crowd we follow the voice of our Good Shepherd. We don't just guess where to go we trust God's Word to guide us every step of the way. His truth never fades, never fails, and never changes.

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

LESSON RECAP VIDEO

1 MIN

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LIVE HOST'S INTRO TO LESSON

5-7 MINS

Live Host: Hey Victory Kids! How's everybody doing today? We are continuing our series called Wild West Faith. Over the next few weeks, we're going to learn what faith really is, where it comes from, how it grows, and where it leads. This whole month is about discovering how to trust God, not just with our words, but with our whole lives.

Last week, we learned about **What happens when faith is tested through the story of Daniel**

Today, we're answering the question: **What Does Faith Do for Others?**

So, this month, we've found out exactly what faith is, where it comes from, and how we can live it out every day at school, at home, and wherever God leads us.

Key Scripture: Our key scripture for this lesson comes from 2 Timothy 4:7 (ICB), "I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith."

(At this point, you can decide to play the lesson video or act out September Week 4 of Frontier Faith Skit)

LESSON VIDEO OR FRONTIER FAITH SKIT

2-3 MINS

(Both are found in the media file)

MINISTRY LESSON

10 MINS

Supplies needed: Put a trail ride clip with signs or maze clip with signs on the large screen

Live Host Hook: Good morning, everyone! Hey Victory Kids! Have you ever followed signs or arrows on a trail ride? They show you where to go, right? Faith is kind of like that, it shows other people the way to Jesus. Paul lived a life that pointed people straight to God because that's what our faith should do. And we're going to see how!

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- **Faith Leads Others to Jesus**

The Bible tells a story about a man named Paul. His story is different than many people in the Bible, because he didn't start out loving Jesus, in fact, he used to be mean to people who followed Jesus! But everything changed one day when Jesus appeared to him on the road to a place called Damascus. After that moment, Paul gave his whole life to Jesus. He became one of the biggest faith-sharers the world has ever known!

One day, this faith was put in action when Paul and his friend Silas were walking through town, when they met a woman, and Paul sat down and told her the Good News about Jesus, that He is God's Son, that He died and rose again, and that He wants to be our Savior and Friend. Do you know what happened? The woman believed, and her whole family gave their lives to Christ. Guess what else, they were also baptized! And because he did, the woman's life changed forever. That's what Wild West faith does. It doesn't hide or hold back, just like in the wild west, it rides out bold and strong, just like a true trailblazer for God.!

- **Faith Helps Us Worship in Dark Times**

So, Paul and his friend Silas were sharing the gospel with people, and watching lives be changed. They were doing the right thing by telling people about Jesus, but not everyone liked it. One day, they prayed for a girl that was healed, and they got arrested. Even though they hadn't done anything wrong, they were beaten, chained up, and thrown into a dark, cold jail. Have you ever had a hard day? Maybe something unfair happened, or you felt sad, scared, or alone. That's what happened to Paul and Silas. Now, if that happened to you, what would you do? I do not know about you all, but I would probably Cry, Complain, or just Give up? But when you have Wild West Faith, you have the confidence of knowing that God has your back.

Guess what Paul and Silas did? They prayed and sang worship songs to God. Right there—in the middle of the night, in the middle of that jail; they worshipped! Acts 16:25 says, "About midnight! Ok, Victory Kids, I want to hear you all say At Midnight. I am going to count to 3 and we will all say "At Midnight" together. 1-2-3, "At Midnight." Yes, at Midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing songs to God. And then something amazing happened. Suddenly, there was a huge earthquake! The Bible says, the prison shook, the doors flew open, and their chains fell off. Paul and Silas didn't just have faith when things were easy, they trusted God even when things were really hard. They knew God was with them, even in the dark prison. And when they sang and praised Him, it reminded them that God is always good and always with them—no matter what.

- **Faith Helps Us Finish Strong**

Paul and Silas didn't give up when things got tough. They were hurting, locked in jail, and it was dark, but they still worshiped God and trusted Him. Because of their strong faith, God moved in power. After the prison guard saw how God set Paul and Silas free, he asked, "What must I do to be saved?" That very night, he and his whole family came to believe in Jesus. This story shows us that faith helps you finish strong even when life is hard.

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Like when you don't make the team or someone is unkind, you don't quit or get mean back. You pray, forgive, and keep trusting God. When you study hard but don't get the grade you hoped for, or your prayers aren't answered right away, you keep believing and worshiping, just like Paul and Silas. But here's the thing about Paul: his faith didn't just start strong; he finished strong too.

After years of sharing the Good News, being put in prison, and facing all kinds of challenges, Paul kept going. He wrote, "I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith" (2 Timothy 4:7, ICB). When we live by faith, we don't just grow closer to God, we help others to know Him too.

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 **WHAT HAPPENS WHEN FAITH IS TESTED?**

- **Faith Leads Others to Jesus**
- **Faith Helps Us Worship in Dark Times**
- **Faith Helps Us Finish Strong**

Wild West faith doesn't run away when things get hard, it rides through the storm, trusting God to lead the way. Faith helps us finish strong, and it helps others see how great God really is!

Call to Action

If you are faced with the hard choice of which friends to hang with, cheating on a test that you did not study for, or starting rumors this week, ask yourself, will my faith have the courage to do what is right?

Write down the difficult choice and spend some time praying to ask God to help you make the right choice. Faith doesn't mean we never feel nervous, it means we talk to God anyway, and trust that God is with you through it all.

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

(If your campus begins with small groups, please ask review questions before closing prayer. If you

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2. What did Paul and Silas do in prison instead of complaining? **They prayed and sang worship songs to God.**
3. What miracle happened while Paul and Silas were in prison? **There was an earthquake that opened the prison doors and broke their chains.**
4. When that miracle happened, what time of day was it? **Midnight!**
5. What did the prison guard ask Paul and Silas? **What must I do to be saved?**

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

Closing Prayer

Thank You for showing us how faith can help others. Just like Paul and Silas shared Your love, worshiped You in hard times, and never gave up, help us do the same. Give us courage to tell others about Jesus, strength to keep going when things are tough, and hearts that finish strong in our faith. We love You and trust You. In Jesus' name, Amen. .



ELEMENTARY SMALL GROUP LESSON

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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)*

What Does Faith Do for Others?

ICEBREAKER

(This icebreaker has two parts: questions from today's lesson and the call to action from last week)

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5. What did the prison guard ask Paul and Silas? **What must I do to be saved? .**

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:

If you are faced with the hard choice of which friends to hang with, cheating on a test that you did not study for, or starting rumors this week, ask yourself, will my faith have the courage to do what is right? Write down the difficult choice and spend some time praying to ask God to help you make the right choice. Faith doesn't mean we never feel nervous, it means we talk to God anyway, and trust that God is with you through it all.

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 **What Does Faith Do for Others?**

For your call to action this week:

This week we want you to pay attention to how you respond when hard times happen. If you have a bad day, a mistake, or someone being mean, take a moment and write a prayer.

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

S.O.A.P

10 MINS

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

ACTIVITY: (OPTIONAL)

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

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Lord, Thank You for showing us how faith can help others. Just like Paul and Silas shared Your love, worshiped You in hard times, and never gave up, help us do the same. Give us courage to tell others about Jesus, strength to keep going when things are tough, and hearts that finish strong in our faith. We love You and trust You. In Jesus' name, 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, OBSERVATION, APPLICATION 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!

O: OBSERVATION

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

"I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith."

2 TIMOTHY 4:7 (ICB)

Name:

Grade:

Date:

S.O.A.P

"I have fought the good fight. I
have finished the race. I have
kept the faith."
2 Timothy 4:7

SCRIPTURE

What did you read?

OBSERVATION

What is God saying?

What does this look like
in my life?

APPLICATION

PRAYER

Dear God...

Check out this month's Memory Verse Song!

SCAN ME

