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AFTER WORSHIP:

BIRLE 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 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

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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!

If you are ready for the first game, shout YES! Let's get ready to play Snowball Shuffle! (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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SDOWBALL SHUFFLE

Supplies: 2 buckets, soft foam balls, tape to mark start and finish lines

Live Host: Alright Victory Kids, I need **8 contestants** (2 teams of 4) to join me on stage! We're going to have a snowball showdown! Each team will line up at the starting line with a stack of snowballs beside them and a bucket waiting at the finish line.

Here's how it works: When I say 'Go,' the first player on each team will place one snowball under their chin, no hands allowed! Then shuffle carefully down the track to drop it into their team's bucket. Once it's in, they'll race back and tag the next teammate to go! If you drop your snowball on the way, uh oh! You have to stop, pick it up, and start again from where you dropped it. The first team to get all their snowballs in the bucket wins! Every player on the winning team will earn 1 Bible Buck each!

Promise Hunt (Christmas edition)

Supplies: Ornaments, 3 baskets, music

Live Host: Alright Victory Kids, who's ready for our next game? On the count of three, I want you to shout a big, loud YES! Ready? One... Two... Three... **YES!!!** This game is called **Promise Hunt – Christmas Edition!** I need 3 contestants to join me on stage. All around the room, we've hidden shiny stars and ornaments. Your job is to find as many as you can before time runs out! When the music starts, you'll have **45 seconds** to search high and low, under chairs, behind decorations, maybe even near the stage to find as many promises as you can. But remember, no pushing or running over the other contestants. When the timer ends, everyone stops and comes back to their spot. We'll open your baskets and count your promises. The person with the most wins and receives 2 Bible Bucks

FIOW: WELCOME, FIRST-TIME VISITORS, WORSHIP & OFFCRING

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!

INTRO: MEMORY VERSE

5 Mins

Live Host:

Hey, Victory Kids! Are you ready? This month, we are continuing our adventure by hopping back on the train for a special Christmas journey! All Aboard: Let Jesus Lead the Way, and we're learning what it really means to trust God's plan, just like Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and the wise men did the very first Christmas!

Every stop on this journey reminds us that God's plan is perfect and that we can follow His direction no matter where life takes us.

Now, if you're ready to learn this month's memory verse, shout, "All Aboard!" ... Cue the memory verse video!

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LESSON RECAP VIDEO

1 Min

Script for video: Good morning, Victory Kids. We are excited about worship today. My name is ______, from ______ Campus. We are continuing our theme All Aboard: Let Jesus Lead the Way. Last week, we ended our series on Noah with a review. We learned three things: 1. Let Jesus Lead: We Listen to His Voice; 2. Let Jesus Lead: We Follow His Directions; and 3. Let Jesus Lead: We Give Thanks for His Care and Promises. We have a new memory verse this month Proverbs 3:5-6, Trust the Lord with all your heart. Don't depend on your own understanding. Remember the Lord in everything you do. And he will give you success. Victory Kids let's get ready

for today's lesson!

LIVE HOST'S INTEO TO LESSON

5-7 Mins

Live Host: Hey Victory Kids! How's everybody doing today? Welcome aboard! It's December, and that means it's time for Christmas cheer, hot cocoa, and the best story ever told! This month, our theme is still All Aboard: Let Jesus Lead the Way! But now, we're traveling through the Christmas story to see how God's plan to send Jesus was the greatest gift the world has ever received!

Just like train tracks guide a train safely to its destination, God's Word helps guide our hearts to follow Jesus. When we trust God's plan, even when we don't see the whole picture, He leads us exactly where we need to go.

Today, our lesson is called **"The Promise of a Savior."** Long before Jesus was born, God promised to send His Son to rescue the world. That promise shows us that we can always trust God's plan, He keeps every word He says!

So, grab your ticket, take your seat, and get ready because this Christmas train is rolling down the tracks, and Jesus is leading the way!

Key Scripture: Our key scripture for this lesson comes from Isaiah 9:6 (ICB): A child will be born to us. God will give a son to us. He will be responsible for leading the people. His name will be Wonderful Counselor, Powerful God, Father Who Lives Forever, Prince of Peace.

(At this point, you can decide to play the lesson video or act out December Week 1 of our special Christmas Skit)

LESSON VIDEO OR SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SKIT

2-3 MINS

(Both are found in the media file)

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MINISTRY LESSON

10 Mins

Supplies needed: A beautifully wrapped present

Live Host Hook: (Show the wrapped gift.)

Who made a Christmas list this year? (wait for responses) Now tell me something that was on your list. (get a few responses) Who likes getting presents? Me too! Now imagine if your parents promised you a gift, but instead of you being able to open it at Christmas, you had to wait a year. But they promised you that you could open it next Christmas. Would you still believe it was coming? Long before Jesus was born, God promised the greatest gift ever: a Savior! Today, we'll see how that promise came true at the right time.

Promise Of A Savior

Before there was a manger, before shepherds or angels, before Mary and Joseph, God already had a plan. From the very beginning of time, God knew we would need a Savior. Remember when we talked about Adam and Eve and how they disobeyed God. Because of that, sin entered the world, and that sin separated people from God. But right there, in that very moment, God gave the first promise of Christmas. That a child, a Savior, would come and crush evil forever (Genesis 3:15).

That promise was like a bright light shining in the darkness. Throughout history, God kept reminding His people that someone was coming who would save them, bring peace, and make things right again. Every story in the Bible: Noah and the Ark, Abraham's faith, Moses leading the people, David defeating Goliath, all pointed forward to that promise. God's rescue plan was already in motion.

The Promise Was Spoken

Before Jesus was even born, way before Mary and Joseph, there was already a promise of a Savior. God told His people that one day, a Savior would come to rescue the world from sin. God shared this promise through prophets, who were kind of like God's messengers. (Remember the prophet Samuel from David's story?) They didn't know when it would happen, but they trusted God's plan completely.

One prophet named Isaiah said a child would be born who would rule forever and come from King David's family, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6–7, 11:1). Another prophet, Micah, even said the Savior would be born in the little town of Bethlehem (Micah 5:2). Even when things were tough, God kept giving His people hope. Every prophecy was like a puzzle piece pointing to one amazing truth; God had a plan all along, and that plan was Jesus!

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The Promise Still Stands

Even though the prophets lived a long time ago, their message is still for you today! God promised a Savior, and He sent Jesus. He promised to love you forever, and He does! God keeps His promises. He guides you when you are unsure, helps you when things feel scary, and gives you hope every day.

Proverbs 3:5–6 says (show scripture slide), "Trust the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." When you trust Jesus, love others, or tell someone about Him, you are showing that God's promises are real. The prophets were excited for

Jesus to come, and now we get to be part of His story. God keeps His promises, and that includes your life, too!

MINISTLY MOMENT

10 Mins

Raise your hand and tell me something you learned today. I am giving away Bible bucks! Today, we learned **The Promise of a Savior (show 3 point slide)**

- The Promise of a Savior
- The Promise Was Spoken
- The Promise Still Stands Today

The Bible is one big story about how God never gave up on His people. And the best part? His promise wasn't just for the people long ago; it is for us too. The same Savior who came for them came for you.

Call to Action

For your call to action this week:

Stay on Track with God's Word

Train tracks keep the train going in the right direction. God's promises help us stay on track too! This week, memorize our memory verse of the month Proverbs 3:5-6, *Trust the Lord with all your heart. Don't depend on your own understanding. Remember the Lord in everything you do. And he will give you success.*

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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. When Adam and Eve disobeyed God and sin entered the world, what promise did God give? **God promised that one day a child, a Savior would come to defeat evil and bring people back to Him.**
- 2. Who did God use to share His promise about the Savior? **God used prophets (His special messengers) to tell His people that a Savior was coming**
- 3. Can you name one of the prophets who spoke about Jesus? Isaiah or Micah
- 4. What did Isaiah say that the Savior would be called? **Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6-7)**

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

Closing Prayer

Dear Lord, thank You for keeping every promise You've ever made. Thank You for sending Jesus, the Savior. Help us to remember that Your Word is always true, even when we have to wait. This Christmas, fill our hearts with hope and remind us that Jesus is the greatest promise ever kept. Teach us to trust You, to listen to You, and to follow where You lead. We love You, Lord. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Optional repeat-after-me version:

Dear God... thank You for always keeping Your promises... Thank You for sending Jesus... the Savior You promised long ago... Help me to trust You... and believe Your Word every day... Thank You for loving me so much... 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)*

Promise Of A Savior

Today, we are telling the story of Christmas with the promise of a Savior. The promise that God gave many, many years ago to the prophet Isaiah in the book of Isaiah. Can anyone tell me where to find the book of Isaiah? (wait for responses)

Great! Let's do it together! Let's open our Bibles to the Old Testament.

First person to get there gets a bible buck!

(Demonstrate how to find Isaiah, and a bible verse in the bible)

Now we found it, just a reminder: this week, when you talk about what we learned with your parents, open your Bible to Isaiah, to recap what you've learned.

Okay, let's get a little deeper into what we learned today.

ICEBREAKER

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

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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:

Let's remember to Worship First

Before screen time and going to bed, take two minutes for worship. One minute to pray and one minute to sing a praise song.

Remember, whoever shares receives Bible Bucks.

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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.

RECAP CALL TO ACTION

5 Mins

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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

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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, OBSERVATIR, 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: OBSCRVatin

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

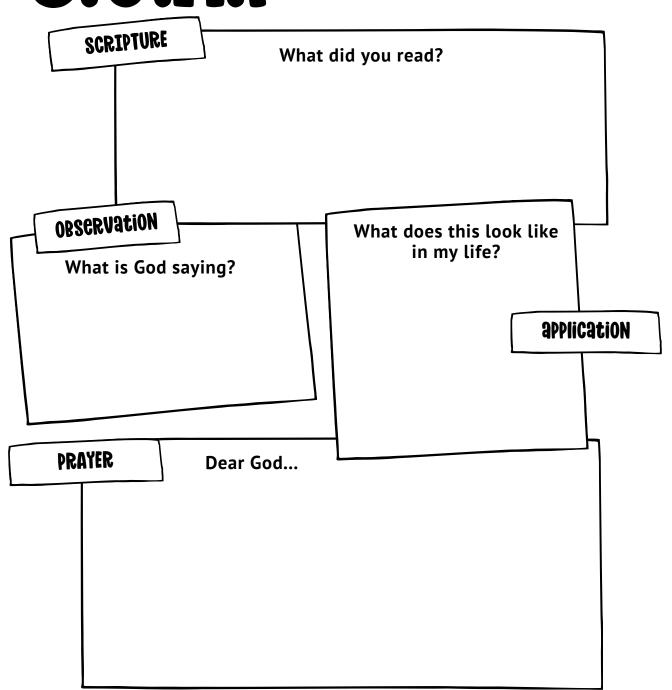
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Isaiah 9:6

Name:	Grade:	Date:
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Check out this month's Memory Verse Song!

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