

VICTORY KIDS ELEMENTARY

ALL ABOARD: LET JESUS LEAD THE WAY

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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 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!

If you are ready for the first game, shout YES! Let's get ready to play Beatitude Bowl! (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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BEATITUDE BOWL

Supplies: 8 Beatitude Cards **per team**, Beatitude descriptions on screen, 2 buzzers or bells

Live Host: Alright, Victory Kids, I need **6 contestants (2 teams of 3)** to join me on stage! It's time for the ultimate Beatitude challenge. Today we're going to see how well you've listened to what Jesus taught in the Beatitudes. Each team will receive 8 Beatitude cards. I will read and display on the screen one Beatitude description at a time. When the timer starts, each team has 5 seconds to hold up the Beatitude card they believe matches the description. I will reveal the correct answer and the team with the correct match receives 1 point. The team with the most points at the end of the game receives 2 Bible Bucks each.

HEAD, KNEES, ALL ABOARD

Supplies: 1 toy train or a small plush train, tape to mark where each contestant should stand

Live Host: Alright Victory Kids! Who's ready for a super-fast, super-fun showdown? Shout YES! I need 2 contestants to come up and face each other on stage. Let's give a round of applause as they come up! This game is called Head, Knees, All Aboard! and here's how it works:

Between our two contestants is this very important train. (Hold up the item.) This train reminds us of our series: All Aboard: Let Jesus Lead the Way! But only one person will get to board the train each round! I'm going to call out different parts of the body like this: "Head! Knees! Shoulders! Toes!" And you'll follow along and touch each spot. But listen carefully... when I say "All Aboard!", you have to grab the train as fast as you can!

Whoever grabs it first wins that round and receives 1 Bible Buck! *(Do a practice round: "Head! Knees! Head! Shoulders! Toes! ALL ABOARD!")*

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!

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INTRO: MEMORY VERSE

5 MINS

Live Host:

Hey, Victory Kids! Are you ready? This month, we're staying on the tracks for one last ride on our All Aboard adventure: Let Jesus Lead the Way!

We've learned that Jesus is our guide, and now it's time to follow Him wherever He leads. All month long, we'll discover what it means to be a true disciple, someone who listens to Jesus, learns from Him, and lives like Him every day!

When we follow Jesus, He helps us stay on the right track and share His love with others along the way.

Now, if you're ready to learn this month's memory verse, shout, "**All Aboard! Let Jesus Lead the Way.....**" Cue the

memory verse video!

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, our lesson was about the first four **Beatitudes**. They are: **1. Blessed are the Poor in Spirit; 2. Blessed are those who Mourn and Blessed are the Meek; and 3. Blessed are Those Who Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness.** Our memory verse is from John 14:6, Jesus answered, "I am the way. And I am the truth and the life. The only way to the Father is through

me. Victory Kids let's get ready for today's lesson!

LIVE HOST'S INTRO TO LESSON

5-7 MINS

Live Host: Hey Victory Kids! How's everybody doing today? Welcome aboard! It's a brand-new year, and we're kicking it off with one last ride on our theme: All Aboard: Let Jesus Lead the Way!

This month, we're continuing on the final part of our journey, which is all about following Jesus. When we follow Him, we become His disciples: people who listen to His voice, learn from His Word, and live out His love every single day!

Just like a train stays on track to reach its destination, Jesus helps guide us in the right direction. When we trust Him and follow where He leads, we can be confident that His way is always the best way.

Last week, we learned that Jesus began teaching His followers something called the **Beatitudes** "*special blessings*" that show what kind of heart God blesses.

This week, Jesus keeps teaching, but He adds something new. He shows us that when we live with those kinds of hearts: humble, tender, and hungry for God, our lives start to shine!

So, get ready, Victory Kids! It's time to hop aboard, open your hearts, and let Jesus lead the way!

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Key Scripture: Our key scripture for this lesson comes from Matthew 28:19-20 (ICB). *So go and make followers of all people in the world. Baptize them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach them to obey everything that I have told you to do. You can be sure that I will be with you always. I will continue with you until the end of the world..*

(At this point, you can decide to play the lesson video or act out January week 4 of Conductor Casey Skit)

LESSON VIDEO OR CONDUCTOR CASEY SKIT

2-3 MINS

(Both are found in the media file)

MINISTRY LESSON

10 MINS

Supplies needed: Remote

Live Host Hook: Hold up a TV remote or game controller. "Who here has ever fought over the remote? Why? Because whoever has the remote... controls everything! If I press a button, the volume goes up. I can change the channel. I can even turn the whole thing OFF. That's a lot of power for a tiny device, right? But imagine if this remote could control everything, the weather, your school day, your whole world. That would be crazy!

Well, Jesus told His disciples something even bigger. He said, 'All power in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.' That means Jesus has authority over EVERYTHING, way more than any remote or controller." And right before He gave His disciples their mission, Jesus reminded them who was really in control, not of a TV, but of the whole world.

- **Jesus Gives Us Power and Authority**

The Bible says in Matthew 28:18, "Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All power in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.'" That means Jesus has all authority; He's in charge of everything! And here's the amazing part: Jesus doesn't keep that power to Himself. When we follow Him, He shares His power with us through the Holy Spirit. No, we don't suddenly become superheroes, but we do get His strength to do what He calls us to do.

It's His power that helps us be brave when we feel scared, make good choices when it's hard, love others even when they're unkind, and tell people about Jesus even if we feel nervous. Jesus knows we can't do His mission alone. So, He gives us His power so we can live for Him and help others know Him. When Jesus sends us, He strengthens us. When He calls us, He gives us what we need. When He leads us, He gives us His powers to do His will.

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- **Jesus Sends Us to Make Disciples**

In Matthew 28:18, Jesus said, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to Me." And that's really good news for us. Because when Jesus sends us out to do something, we don't go alone, we go with His strength. He said in Matthew 28:19, *"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit!"*

Then Jesus gave His followers their mission: and do you know what this mission was called? It was called *"the Great Commission."* Hey! Let's all say that together 1-2-3, *The Great Commission!* The Great Commission is not a suggestion, Jesus commands every one of His followers to GO and make disciples by telling them about Jesus. The Great Commission is the way we help others Know Jesus, Follow Jesus, and Share Jesus.

Say it with me! Know Jesus, Follow Jesus, and Share Jesus!

Say it one more time! Know Jesus, Follow Jesus, and Share Jesus!

Have you ever told someone about something you were really excited about: maybe a new game, movie, or snack? You couldn't wait to share it, right? That's how we should feel about Jesus! We've experienced His love, and now we get to share that love with others. When we follow Jesus, we become part of His mission, helping others get "on board" to follow Him too.

- **Jesus Promises to Be with Us**

After giving His followers this big assignment, Jesus made a promise. And this promise still stands today. In Matthew 28:20, He said, *"You can be sure that I will be with you always."* Jesus didn't send His disciples out alone. He promised that the Holy Spirit would be with them to give them courage, wisdom, and strength. And that same Holy Spirit helps us, too!

Have you ever been nervous to do something new, like trying out for a team, talking in front of the class, or walking into a new group? It's scary at first. But when you know someone strong is standing with you, it gives you courage. That's what Jesus does for us. When we follow Him, we can step out with confidence, because His power goes with us. He leads the way, and when He says, "Go," we can trust that He knows exactly where He's guiding us.

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MINISTRY MOMENT

10 MINS

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

Today, we learned that **Jesus Sends Us**

- **Jesus Gives Us Power and Authority**
- **Jesus Sends Us to Make Disciples**
- **Jesus Promises to Be with Us**

In the Great Commission Jesus gives us our mission to go and make Disciples: To Know Jesus, Follow Jesus, and Share Jesus!

Call to Action

For your call to action this week:

Mission Challenge

This week, share Jesus with someone in your own special way! You can:

- Tell a friend that Jesus loves them.
- Invite someone to church.
- Write an encouraging note with a Bible verse.

Next week, we will share in Small Groups and receive 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. What is the Great Commission? **Jesus commands every follower of Christ to GO and make disciples by telling them about Jesus. The Great Commission is the way we help others Know Jesus, Follow Jesus, and Share Jesus!**
2. What does it mean that Jesus has all power and authority? **It means He rules over everything — no problem, place, or person is too big for Him.**
3. How does knowing Jesus is powerful help us when we're nervous or afraid? **It reminds us that we don't have to do things alone — Jesus gives us courage and strength.**
4. When Jesus sends us out to do something, do we go by ourselves or with His power? **We go with His power! He is always with us and helps us every step of the way.**

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

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Closing Prayer: *(Please feel free to encourage the children to lead)*

Dear Lord, thank You for giving us a mission to share Your love with the world. Thank You that You have all power and that You lead the way. Help us be brave when You tell us to go, kind when we meet others, and ready to tell people about You. Thank You for sending the Holy Spirit to help us every day. We're so glad we never go alone because You are always with us. 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)

Jesus Sends Us

Today, we learned that Jesus also sends us on a mission to make disciples. We can find this mission, the Great Commission, in Matthew 28:18-20. Can anyone tell me where to find the book of Matthew? *(wait for responses)*

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

First person to get there gets a bible buck!

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

Now that we've found it, just a reminder: this week, when you talk about what we learned with your parents, open your Bible to Matthew, 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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3. How does knowing Jesus is powerful help us when we're nervous or afraid? **It reminds us that we don't have to do things alone — Jesus gives us courage and strength.**
4. When Jesus sends us out to do something, do we go by ourselves or with His power? **We go with His power! He is always with us and helps us every step of the way.**

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:

Light the Way Challenge

We were to look for one way to bring joy to someone outside your home. It could be writing a kind note to a teacher, sharing a snack with a neighbor, or saying thank you to someone who helps others. Talk with your family about one way you shared God's love this week and how it made you and the other person feel. 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: (OPTIONAL)

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

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Lord, thank You for giving us a mission to share Your love with the world. Thank You that You have all power and that You lead the way. Help us be brave when You tell us to go, kind when we meet others, and ready to tell people about You. Thank You for sending the Holy Spirit to help us every day. We're so glad we never go alone because You are always with us. 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

"So go and make followers of all people in the world. Baptize them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach them to obey everything that I have told you to do. You can be sure that I will be with you always. I will continue with you until the end of the world.."

MATTHEW 28:19-20

Name:

Grade:

Date:

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Matthew 28:19-20

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!

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SCAN ME

