

ALOHA: KEEPING COOL WHEN THINGS GET HOT

"ALL OF YOU TOGETHER ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST. EACH ONE OF YOU IS A PART OF THAT BODY." 1 CORINTHIANS 12:27 (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 LEI TOSS RELAY!

(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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LEI TOSS RELAY (RING TOSS)

- **Supplies:** Use your current Ring Toss game and painter's tape to mark a tossing line
- **Live Host:** Alright, Victory Kids, I need 2 contestants to join me on stage! Each contestant will stand behind the tossing line with a set of rings. In front of you is your target. When I say go, you will toss your rings one at a time and try to land them on the target, just like ring toss. The contestant who lands the most rings on the target by the end of the round wins 1 Bible Buck!

VOLCANO STOP

- **Supplies:** Music
- **Live Host:** On the count of three, I want you to shout YES for the next game! One...Two...Three... YES!!! Alright, Victory Kids, I need 5 contestants to join me on stage! Let's get ready to play Volcano Stop! When I say go, you will move around the stage however I tell you: marching, hopping, tiptoeing, or walking fast. But listen carefully, because when I yell "Volcano!" you must freeze immediately and not move at all. If you keep moving after I say "Volcano!", you are out for that round. The last contestant still standing wins 2 Bible Buck!

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

25 MINS

Live Host: *(Note: invite a child up to pray for offering and today's service).* 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: Victory Kids, this month, we're starting a brand-new series called **Aloha: Keeping Cool When Things Get Hot!** We experience all kinds of feelings and emotions. You may feel joy when something amazing happens. Maybe you feel angry when something is unfair, or frustrated when things don't go your way. But God doesn't leave us alone to figure those feelings out. He gives us His Word, and He gives us each other. Our memory verse this month reminds us that every one of us matters and that we all belong to something special: God's family.

((Pick a student to come and say the Memory Verse)).

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

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LESSON RECAP VIDEO

1 MIN

LIVE HOST'S INTRO TO LESSON

5-7 MINS

Live Host: Alooooohaaa, Victory Kids! Welcome to our brand-new island adventure called **Aloha: Keeping Cool When Things Get Hot!** So, since our theme has to do with a beach or island, who here has seen big waves? (*Wait for Answers*) Sometimes life feels like that. One minute everything is fine, and the next minute you've got choices, problems, and pressure coming at you from everywhere. And if you don't have something solid to guide you, it's easy to wipe out.

That's why God gave His people something called **The Ten Commandments**. They weren't rules to make life hard; they were instructions to help people live the right way and keep God first. So, get ready, Victory Kids... grab your surfboard, ride the waves, and let's learn that **Only God Deserves Our Worship!**

Key Scripture: Today's key scripture is Exodus 20:4-5, "You shall not make for yourself a carved image –any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor [b]serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God..."

LESSON VIDEO

2-3 MINS

(Found in the media file)

MINISTRY LESSON

10 MINS

Supplies: Two objects, one plain and one shiny or fun-looking

Live Host Hook: (*Hold up both objects*) Alright, Victory Kids, look up here. I have two things in my hands. One is plain, and one is shiny and exciting-looking. Which one do you think most people would look at first? *Wait for responses.* That makes sense, right? Usually, people pay attention to the thing that stands out the most. But just because something grabs your attention does not mean it deserves your attention.

Today we're going to hear about people who stopped focusing on God and started paying attention to something they made themselves. And we're going to learn why God alone deserves our worship.

Last week we learned about the **first commandment**, where God told His people that He should come first in their lives. We explored that through learning about the first commandment which was "You should not have any other gods except me (Exodus 20:3)."

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- **The Second Commandment**

Today we are learning about the **second commandment**, which helps us understand even more about **the right way and the wrong way to worship God**. This story is in the **Old Testament, in the book of Exodus**. Back then, the Israelites were still learning who God was and how to follow Him. Because they didn't fully understand God yet, it was easy for them to make idols things they could see or touch, like wood, golden statues, and treat them like gods.

In **Exodus 20:4–5**, God told His people not to make idols or bow down to them. An idol is anything people make or treat as if it has the power that only God has. He alone created the world, rescued His people, and cared for them. The second commandment teaches that God alone deserves our worship. Not long after God gave this commandment, the Israelites faced a moment where they had to decide whether they would obey God or not.

- **The Wrong Way to Worship**

Even though God had given them the second commandment, the Israelites didn't always follow it. They didn't fully understand God yet, so they made something they could see, **a golden calf**, and started celebrating it as if it had saved them. Instead of trusting God, they wanted something they could see right away. But it wasn't the golden calf who rescued them from Egypt. It was God! The statue couldn't guide them, protect them, help them in any way, or save them, only God can save us! Can we say that out loud? **Only God can save us!** The Israelites were **worshipping the wrong way** by giving their attention and praise to something that **wasn't God at all**.

Sometimes we can worship the wrong thing, too. We talked about this last week, like spending all our time on video games, or giving our sport that we play all our attention or even trying to be the "coolest kid" instead of loving and obeying God. None of things are wrong to do, but wrong worship happens when we put things before God and focus on what we want instead of about who God is.

- **The Right Way to Worship**

The story of the golden calf shows us how easy it can be for people to forget what God has done. The Israelites had seen God's power. They had seen Him send miracles, lead them out of Egypt, and guide them through the wilderness. But at some point, they stopped focusing on God and turned their attention to something they could see and touch. The second commandment is You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God..." It reminds us that worship belongs to God alone.

Worship God the right way by putting Him first in our hearts and focusing on who He is, not just what we want. Worshiping God the right way isn't just about words or actions, it's about **loving God and showing Him He matters most, Praying** and talking to God, **Reading the Bible** and learning about Him, **Obeying God** in the choices we make, **Thanking Him** for what He has done, **Serving and loving others** because that honors God too. When we remember who God is and what He has done, it helps us keep our worship focused on Him.

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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 about the Second Commandment, **You shall not make for yourself a carved image!**

- **The Second Commandment**
- **The Wrong Way to Worship**
- **The Right Way to Worship**

When people give their worship to things that are not God, it pulls their hearts away from the One who truly deserves it. But when our worship stays centered on God, it helps us remember who He is and all He has done. A heart that worships God stays anchored to the One who is true, powerful, and worthy of praise.

Call to Action

For your call to action this week:

Memorize the First Two Commandments

This week, practice the first two commandments at home with your parents. **Commandment 1:** You shall have no other gods before Me. **Commandment 2:** You shall not make for yourself a carved image

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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. What was the first commandment from last week? **You shall have no other gods before Me.**
2. What is the second commandment? **You shall not make for yourself a carved image.**
3. What is an idol? **Something people make or treat as if it has the power that only God has.**
4. What kind of idol did the Israelites make? **A golden calf.**
5. Why does God only deserve our worship? **Because He created the world, rescued His people, and cares for us.**

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

Closing Prayer

(Please feel free to encourage the children to lead)

Dear Jesus, Thank You for being the one true God who is worthy of all our worship. Thank You for loving us, leading us, and taking care of us. Help us not to let other things take Your place in our hearts. When we feel impatient or distracted, remind us to trust You and keep our eyes on 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)*

The Second Commandment... You shall not make for yourself a carved image

Today, we learned about the **Second Commandment**, another instruction God gave His people to help them know how to worship Him. God told them not to make idols or bow down to them because worship belongs to Him alone. We saw what it looked like when the Israelites broke that commandment in the story of the golden calf, they stopped focusing on God and turned their attention to something they could see and touch, instead of to the God who had rescued them.

The second commandment teaches us something important about our own lives. Sometimes people can become so focused on things they want, things they can see, or things they care about that they stop giving God the worship He deserves. The question is not whether we will give our hearts and attention to something. The question is whether our worship will stay focused on the one true God.

Our Scripture today came from **Exodus 20:4–5**. Can anyone tell me if Exodus is in the Old Testament or the New Testament? *(Pause for responses)* Yes, Exodus is found in the Old Testament. Great! Let's open our Bibles together. Everyone open, your Bible to the Old Testament. The first person to find Exodus 20:4–5 gets a Bible Buck!

(Briefly show the kids where Exodus is located and explain the verse to them.)

Now here's your challenge for the week:

This week, take a few minutes at home and read Exodus 20:4–5 with your family. Talk about what it means to worship God only. Think about one way you can keep your heart focused on God by thanking Him, praying to Him, or remembering something He has done for you.

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)*

Our Call to action for last week:

Put God First in Your Day

One way to put God first is to start your day with Him. This week, talk to God, thank Him, and ask Him to help guide your choices each day.

Share and receive some 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

(Optional - you can invite a child to pray)

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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

"You shall not make for yourself a carved image –any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor [b]serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God..."

EXODUS 20:4-5

Name:	Grade:	Date:
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Exodus 20:4-5

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!

“All of you together are the body of Christ. Each one of you is a part of that body.” 1 Corinthians 12:27 (ICB)

