

AIOHA: KEEPING COOL WHEN THINGS GET HOT

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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 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 COMMANDMENT CORNERS! *(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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COMMANDMENT CORNERS

- **Supplies:** Printed list of clues
- **Live Host:** Alright, Victory Kids, I need 8 contestants to come up on stage! We are going to split you into two teams of four. Here's how the game works. I'm going to call out a clue from one of the commandments we've been learning about. The first person to shout out the correct commandment for that clue wins the point for their team! Get ready, listen carefully, and be fast on your feet, the first team to answer each round scores correctly! We'll play four rounds, and the team with the most points at the end wins 1 Bible Buck each!

COMMANDMENT HOT POTATO

- **Supplies:** Softball or beanbag, or any object to pass, and music
- **Live Host:** Alright, Victory Kids! I need 5 brave contestants to come on stage! Great! Give them a big cheer! We're playing Commandment Hot Potato! Here's how our game works: Pass this ball around quickly while the music plays. When the music stops, whoever has the ball must answer a clue about a commandment. Get it right, you stay in the game. Get it wrong, you're out! The last one standing wins 3 Bible Bucks! Ready? Hands on the ball... music starts! Pass it fast and listen carefully.

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!

LESSON RECAP VIDEO

1 MIN

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LIVE HOST'S INTRO TO LESSON

5-7 MINS

Live Host: Alooooohaaa, Victory Kids! Welcome to our island adventure called **Aloha: Keeping Cool When Things Get Hot!** Now, when you think about a tropical island, you might picture warm sunshine, ocean waves, and maybe even a volcano. And you know what? Our emotions can be a little like that sometimes. When we feel angry, frustrated, jealous, or afraid, those feelings can start to bubble up just like a volcano getting ready to erupt!

But here's the big truth we're going to learn in this series: God teaches us how to stay cool even when our emotions feel hot.

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 get ready for our lesson **Recap, Keep God First!**

Key Scripture: Today's key scripture is Matthew 22:37, "Jesus answered, Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind."

LESSON VIDEO

2-3 MINS

(Found in the media file)

MINISTRY LESSON

10 MINS

Supplies: One object to hold up, like a ball, lei, or small toy

Live Host Hook: (*Hold up the object*) Everybody look right here. Keep your eyes on this object.

"Now, while you're looking, I'm going to try to distract you, (**Note to Live Host:** *make a silly noise, wave your hand, or say something funny.*)

Be honest, was it easy or hard to stay focused? (*Wait for responses*). That's exactly what can happen in life, too. Sometimes it's easy to lose focus, and when we do, we can start paying too much attention to the wrong things.

Over the last few weeks, we've been learning about the **first four commandments**, and each one helps us **stay focused on God**. These aren't just rules, they show us how to love God with our hearts, our worship, our words, and our trust. Today, we're going to **review these four commandments** found in the book of Exodus chapter 20, verses 1-11, and remember why keeping our hearts focused on God matters so much. (Exodus 20:1-11)

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- **God Belongs in First Place**

Today, we are going to look back at what we learned and see how these first four commandments work together. The first commandment taught us that God should come first in our lives. God said, *"You shall have no other gods before Me."* That means nothing and no one should take His place. God does not want to be one important part of our lives. He wants to be first and the most important in our lives.

The second commandment, *"You shall not make for yourself a carved image"*, built on that truth by teaching us that worship belongs to God alone. God's people were not to make idols or give their worship to anything they had made. Together, these two commandments teach us that God belongs in the highest place in our hearts. He is not supposed to share His place with anything or anyone else. God alone deserves our love and worship.

- **God Should Be Honored for Who He Is**

The third commandment taught us that God's name is holy and should be treated with honor. God said, *"You shall not use the Lord's name in vain."* His name is special because it is connected to who He is. God is holy, powerful, good, and true, so His name should never be treated like it is ordinary.

This commandment teaches us that the way we speak about God shows what we really believe about Him. If we truly understand who God is, then our words should reflect that. We should not use His name carelessly, disrespectfully, or as a joke. Instead, we should speak about Him in ways that show love, honor, and respect. That means the first four commandments are not only about actions. They are also about the heart. God cares about what we believe, what we love, and how we respond to Him. When our hearts truly understand who God is, it changes the way we worship Him and even the way we speak His name.

- **God Wants Our Trust, Not Just Our Attention**

The fourth commandment, *"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy"* taught us something different but just as important: to rest. God wanted His people to stop, rest, and remember Him. This commandment showed that God did not want His people to live in nonstop pressure, worry, and busyness. He wanted them to trust Him enough to pause.

That is what ties all four commandments together. God is not asking for quick attention on Sunday and then to be forgotten the rest of the week. He wants hearts that trust Him every day. He wants people who put Him first, worship Him the right way, honor His name, and remember that He is the one who takes care of them. When we keep God in the right place we do not have to let pressure, distractions, or worry take over. The first four commandments teach us how to love God the right way with our hearts, our worship, our words, and our trust. Let's review the four commandments together.

Note: There is a separate slide card for each commandment. Please put them on the screen for the review.

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1. You shall have no other gods before Me
2. You shall not make for yourself a carved image
3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy

MINISTRY MOMENT

10 MINS

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

Today, we recapped the first four commandments, **and we learned to Keep God First!**

- **God Belongs in First Place**
- **God Should Be Honored for Who He Is**
- **God Wants Our Trust, Not Just Our Attention**

When God has the right place in our hearts, it changes the way we live. We begin to worship Him, speak about His goodness, and trust Him more and more each day. A life centered on God shows that He is worthy of everything we are.

Call to Action

For your call to action this week:

Family Discussion

Ask your family which of the first four commandments stands out to them the most and why. Be ready to share one thing you talked about. **Commandment 1-You shall have no other gods before Me; Commandment 2-You shall not make for yourself a carved image; Commandment 3-You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain; Commandment 4-Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

Don't forget we will share next week and receive Bible Bucks!

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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 is the first commandment? **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 the third commandment? **You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.**
4. What is the fourth commandment? **Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.**
5. What is one thing you remember from the first four commandments? **Various Answers**

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 teaching us how to love You through the first four commandments. Help us put You first, worship You only, honor Your name, and trust You enough to rest. Thank You for being worthy of our hearts, our words, and our worship. 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)*

Lesson Recap: It's All About God!

Today, we recapped the first four commandments: **You shall have no other gods before Me, You shall not make for yourself a carved image, You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, and Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.** Each lesson showed us something important about keeping God in the right place in our hearts. We can find these commandments in the book of Exodus. Can anyone tell me where Exodus is found in the Bible? (Pause for responses.) Great! Let's open our Bibles together. The first person to get there gets a Bible Buck!

Everyone, open your Bible to **Exodus 20:1–10**.

Now that we've found it, here's your challenge for the week:

When you talk with your family about what you learned today, open your Bible to Exodus 20:1–10 and see if you can explain what the first four commandments teach us about loving God.

ICEBREAKER

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

1. What is the first commandment? **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 the third commandment? **You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.**
4. What is the fourth commandment? **Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.**
5. What is one thing you remember from the first four commandments? **Various Answers**

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:

Memorize the First Four Commandments *(Note for Live Host: Don't read the Commandments to them, please have the children try to recite them from memory)*

This week ask your parents to help you memorize the first four commandments. **Commandment 1:** You shall have no other gods before Me. **Commandment 2:** You shall not make for yourself a carved image. **Commandment 3:** You shall not use the Lord's name in vain. **Commandment 4:** Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

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

Today, we had our lesson recap: **It's All About God!**

Family Discussion

Ask your family which of the first four commandments stands out to them the most and why. Be ready to share one thing you talked about.

Don't forget we will share next week and receive 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

(Optional - you can invite a child to pray)

Dear Jesus, Thank You for teaching us how to love You through the first four commandments. Help us put You first, worship You only, honor Your name, and trust You enough to rest. Thank You for being worthy of our hearts, our words, and our worship. 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

"Jesus answered, Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind."

MATTHEW 22:37

Name:	Grade:	Date:
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S.O.A.P

“Jesus answered, Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.”
Matthew 22:37

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)

