

VICTORY KIDS ELEMENTARY

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: GOD AT WORK

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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 BUILD THE KINGDOM 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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BUILD THE KINGDOM RELAY

- **Supplies:** 12 plastic cups, tape for start line, and review questions
- **Live Host:** I need 4 contestants (2 teams of 2) to join me on stage! Today we're playing "Build the Kingdom Relay!" Here's how the game works. Each team will line up behind the starting line. When I say, "Go!" the first player in line will race to the cup pile and pick up one cup to help build your team's tower. But there's a catch! Before you can add your cup to the tower, you'll have to answer a Bible question. If you answer correctly, you get to place your cup on the tower. Once you've placed your cup, run back and tag the next teammate. The team to complete their tower first receives 2 Bible Bucks!

BUILDER'S SUPPLY OVER AND UNDER RELAY

- **Supplies:** 12 beanbags (6 per team), and 2 buckets or construction bins (one for each team)
- **Live Host:** On the count of three, I want you to shout BUILD! One...Two...Three... BUILD!!! Alright, Victory Kids, I need 6 contestants up here with me (2 teams of 3)! Each team will stand in a straight line. The first person in each line will have a pile of building supplies (beanbags), and the last person in each line will have an empty construction bucket. When I say go, the first player will pass a building supply over their head to the next teammate, then that teammate will pass it under their legs to the last teammate. The last teammate will drop the building supply into the construction bucket, then get ready for the next one. Keep going over, under, over, under until all of your team's building supplies are in the construction bucket. The first team to fill their construction bucket wins 1 Bible Buck each!

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, welcome back to **Under Construction: God at Work!** Just like a builder works on a building one step at a time, God is at work in our lives every day. He is building us, helping us grow, and showing us how to live for Him. Our memory verse this month reminds us that God is great! His miracles are mighty, His kingdom lasts forever, and He is always in control. When we remember how powerful and faithful God is, we can trust Him to keep working in our lives because God is never finished building what He starts! (Pick a student to come and say the MV.)

Now, if you're ready to start building God's Word into your heart, shout, **"Under Construction!"** ...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: Victory Kids, welcome back to **Under Construction: God at Work!** Have you ever watched a building being built? At first, you might only see the foundation, walls, and roof. But a builder doesn't stop there! Every step prepares the building for its purpose. Once everything is in place, the building is finally ready to be used.

That's how God works in our lives. He doesn't stop after calling us to follow Him or teaching us to serve others. God continues building us so we can help others know Him and become part of His Kingdom. Over the last two weeks, we've watched Jesus call Peter to follow Him and teach him that loving Jesus means caring for others. So grab your hard hat, get ready to build, and let's discover how **God Builds Us for His Kingdom Through Sharing the Good News!**

Key Scripture: Today's key scripture is Acts 1:8, "But the Holy Spirit will come on you and give you power. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea, in Samaria, and in every part of the world."

LESSON VIDEO

2-3 MINS

(Found in the media file)

MINISTRY LESSON

10 MINS

Supplies: Toolbox with a hammer

Live Host Hook: Hold up the hammer and ask: What is this used for? (*Allow for responses.*) Then ask: What if a builder bought this hammer but never used it? Would it help build a house? (*Allow for responses.*) That's right! A tool isn't made just to sit in a toolbox. It's made to be used. The same is true for us. God doesn't build our lives just so we can know more about Him. He builds us so we can help others know Him too. Today, we'll discover how God used everything He had been building in Peter's life to help thousands of people hear the good news about Jesus. Let's see how God used Peter to build His Kingdom!

- **God Gives Us the Power to Be His Witnesses**

Last week, we learned that Peter discovered he could trust Jesus, even when things felt scary. Peter stepped out of the boat and learned that Jesus was always with him. But Peter's journey with Jesus was just beginning. God had a bigger plan for Peter's life. Jesus wasn't only changing Peter, Jesus was preparing Peter to help

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change the lives of others. After Jesus died and rose again, He gave His followers an important mission. Jesus told them to tell others about Him, He said, in Acts 1:8 (ICB), "But the Holy Spirit will come on you and give you power. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea, in Samaria, and in every part of the world." Ok, those are big words. Let's say them together. Repeat after me. Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and in every part of the world. But Jesus also promised to send the Holy Spirit to help them.

Before this moment, Peter was someone who was often afraid. He had been afraid during the storm, and he was even afraid to tell people he knew Jesus at one point. But everything changed when the Holy Spirit came. Jesus had instructed His disciples to gather in a room together, so they did. Suddenly, a sound like a mighty rushing wind filled the house, and the Holy Spirit came upon everyone who was there. Peter was no longer the fearful fisherman. God had been building Peter's faith every step of the way. Now, through the power of the Holy Spirit, Peter was ready to share the good news of Jesus. God had given Peter everything he needed to do what He had called him to do.

- **God Helps Us to Share the Good News**

When the Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost, everything changed. Peter stood in front of a huge crowd and shared the message of Jesus. This was the same Peter who had once been afraid, but now he boldly told others about God's love, forgiveness, and the hope found in Jesus. As Peter spoke, thousands of people listened and chose to follow Jesus.

Peter probably never imagined that an ordinary fisherman from Galilee would one day help so many people learn about Jesus. But God saw what Peter could become long before Peter did. God had been building Peter's life every step of the way, calling him to follow, growing his faith, and preparing him for this moment. Peter didn't speak because he was perfect or because he was strong enough on his own. He shared the good news because God gave him the power he needed through the Holy Spirit.

- **God Gives Us the Power to Make a Difference**

When Peter finished speaking, about 3,000 people believed the message and were baptized. Peter didn't change their hearts; God did. God simply used Peter to tell others about Jesus. Peter's story reminds us that God loves using ordinary people to do extraordinary things for His Kingdom. The same is true for us today. When we follow Jesus, the Holy Spirit helps us make wise choices, show God's love, and tell others about Him. Every time we encourage a friend, show kindness, invite someone to church, or share what Jesus has done for us, God can use us to make a difference. Jesus said in Matthew 5:16 (ICB), "In the same way, you should be a light for other people. Live so that they will see the good things you do and will praise your Father in heaven."

Just as the Master Builder wasn't finished with Peter, He isn't finished building us either. Every act of obedience and every opportunity to share God's love is another way He prepares us to help grow His Kingdom. Sometimes we may think, "I'm just a kid. What can I really do?" Peter probably felt that way, too. He was just a fisherman, but God had a purpose for his life. When we follow Jesus, we don't have to do it alone. The Holy Spirit gives us what we need to make a difference and show God's love to others.

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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 **God Builds Us for His Kingdom Through Sharing the Good News!**

- **God Gives Us the Power to Be His Witnesses**
- **God Helps Us to Share the Good News**
- **God Gives Us the Power to Make a Difference**

Today we learned that God could use ordinary people to do extraordinary things for His Kingdom. Just like Peter, we can trust that God is building our lives with a purpose and giving us the power through the Holy Spirit to make a difference. When we follow Jesus and share His love with others, God can use us to help build His Kingdom.

Call to Action

Point Others to Jesus

For your call to action this week:

Let's take one simple step to point others to Jesus this week by inviting someone to church.

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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. Who did Jesus promise would give His followers power? **The Holy Spirit**
2. What did Jesus tell His followers to do after they received the Holy Spirit? **Tell others about Him and be His witnesses.**
3. What happened to Peter after the Holy Spirit came? **Peter became bold and shared the good news about Jesus**
4. About how many people believed in Jesus after Peter preached? **About 3,000 people.**
5. Did Peter change people's hearts by himself? **No. God changed their hearts. Peter simply shared the good news.**

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 loving us and for calling us to follow You. Thank You for giving us the Holy Spirit to help us live for You every day. Help us not to be afraid to tell others about You. Show us how to be kind, make wise choices, and share Your love with our family, friends, and everyone we meet. Use our words and our actions to help others know You. Thank You for continuing to build our faith and for helping us become more like You each day. 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: Today, we discovered how God brought everything He had been building in Peter's life together. God gave Peter the power to share the good news about Jesus, and thousands of people believed. Peter's story reminds us that God can use ordinary people to do extraordinary things for His Kingdom.

Let's see what you remember! Before Peter stood up to share the good news, who did Jesus promise would come to help the disciples? (Pause for responses.) That's right, the Holy Spirit! Great job, Victory Kids! Today's story is found in the book of Acts. Can anyone tell me if Acts is in the Old Testament or the New Testament? (Pause for responses.) Great job, the New Testament! Now grab your Bible and see who can be the first to find Acts chapter 2 for a Bible Buck!

As you talk with your family about today's lesson, share how Peter shared the good news about Jesus. .

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: **Faith Challenge**

For your call to action this week:

Every morning before school, pray this simple prayer: "Jesus, help me trust You today." Don't forget we will share next week and receive 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

"But the Holy Spirit will come on you and give you power. You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea, in Samaria, and in every part of the world."

ACTS 1:8

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S.O.A.P

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Acts 1:8

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!

"The things he has done are great. His miracles are mighty. His kingdom continues forever. His rule will continue for all time.
Daniel 4:3 (ICB)

SCAN ME

