

Week 1 – Seek God

Items: one quarter

Instructions: Hide the quarter in a room. Have the kids search for the missing coin. Review the story of the ‘Lost Coin’ with the children.

Presentation: What GOD is able to give you is worth a lot more than money. Search after GOD. Go after Him. He is much, much more valuable than any treasure.

Week 2 - Disciple see, Disciple Do

Items: none

Presentation: Monkeys are very curious creatures. They tend to mimic everything they see. A disciple of God must imitate Jesus Christ, not the world. In John 5:19 Jesus said: "I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself. He does only what he sees the Father doing. Whatever the Father does, the Son also does."

Instructions: This game is played like "Follow the Leader" but the key is to encourage the child leader to only use animals she would likely spot if they were in a Safari. Talk with your child about "What would Jesus do if..?" (He saw someone sick?, someone called Him names? and so on) Then explain how to be closer to Father God we must do the same.

Week 3 - Finish the Race

Items: Peanuts, use construction paper and tape to create tubes aka ‘elephant noses’.

Presentation: An African bush elephant can run up to 24 mph. That is pretty fast when you take in their size! In 2 Timothy 4:7 Paul says “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful.” Elephants run away from danger. But our race is to live a life faithful to God until we meet Him in heaven.

Instructions: In a room mark a start and finish line. Challenge your child to a race. Line side by side at the starting point and place a peanut on the starting line in front of each. The object of the game is to see who can push the peanut to the finish line first... But you can only use your 'elephant' noses! (use tape to attach an ‘elephant nose’ to your nose and your child’s nose) * Your kitchen or living room is great for this activity - move the furniture aside and have some fun!

Week 4 - The Roar of the Lion

Items: none

Presentation: In Hosea 11:10 God says: “For someday the people will follow me. I, the LORD will roar like a lion. And when I roar, my people will return trembling...” In the wild, the lion is feared. He is considered the king of the animals. Our GOD is our KING and he is to be feared by all. The fear we have towards GOD is not like being afraid of the dark or afraid of a fierce lion. The fear we speak of, is similar to having great respect for someone (mom, dad, grandparents, president, a king or queen) but even greater. Talk to your child about Respect, Reverence and Repentance.

Instructions: Challenge your child or children, to a contest for the loudest roar. Have another adult or child be the judge. Have fun with it. How would the lion roar if he was hungry? what if he is sleepy? what if he is angry? what if he needs to use the bathroom?