

## WEEK 2 | OLDER ELEMENTARY

**Need to Know:** I Can Trust God With My Life

**Bible Story:** The Burning Bush

**Bible Reference:** Exodus 3-4



### CIRCLE UP

- DO**
- Welcome kids to church and tell them who you are.
  - **Sanitize** kids' hands. Have each child share his/her first name and roll the **foam dice**.
  - Based on the number they roll, have kids share that number of things to take with them if they traveled way out west. (Example: A child rolls the number five and wants to take a lasso, a cowboy hat, boots, beans, and a bandana.)

**SAY** *As we're traveling way out west, we're discovering that God has a special purpose for each of our lives. Today we are going to talk about how God cares about our lives. So let me hear you say this after me:*

**I Can Trust God** (both hands point up)  
**With My Life** (point to self)

### READ THE BIBLE

- DO**
- Assign each child a part to act out and give him/her a corresponding prop. Then read the **Bible Story Cards** to the group, allowing kids to respond as directed.
- One child will be Moses, getting the **beard**.
  - One child will be Aaron, getting the **mustache**.
  - Three children will play sheep, each getting a **sheep mask**.
  - The rest of the group will be a burning bush, each getting a piece of **tissue paper**.

- SAY**
- *How did Moses feel when God told him about His plan for Moses to lead the Israelites out of Egypt? (He doubted that he was the best one to lead the people out of Egypt, he felt unsure if the people would listen to him, etc.)*
  - *What did God promise Moses when doubted that he could do the things God had planned for him? (That He would be with Moses the whole time)*
  - *Who did God send to help Moses? (His brother, Aaron)*
  - *Even though Moses didn't know all of the details of God's plan and everything didn't make sense, what did he still choose to do? (Trust God)*

## LET'S PRACTICE

### OPTION 1: ROPE TOSS

#### DO

1. **Sanitize** kids' hands. Divide kids into two teams, and place the **rope toss base** in the center of the group.
2. Alternating teams, allow each child to have three chances to toss the **rope** onto the base. If the child lands the rope on the base, have them pull a **Trust Card** and answer the question to earn a point for the team.
3. Play until each child has a turn, and add up the points to see which team wins.
4. Have kids repeat:  
**I Can Trust God** (both hands point up)  
**With My Life** (point to self)

### OPTION 2: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. *What are some areas of our lives that we have trouble trusting God with at times?*
2. *When we're tempted to not fully trust God with something, what should we do?*
3. *What are some ways we can know what God's plan for our life?*
4. Have kids repeat:  
**I Can Trust God** (both hands point up)  
**With My Life** (point to self)

## LET'S PRAY

#### SAY

*Hey God! It's amazing to think about how much You love us and created us for a purpose. Help us to see the things You have planned for us, and help us to trust You, no matter what is going on in our lives. We love You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

## MEMORIZE IT

#### SAY & DO

*There's a verse in the Bible that helps us know that God is working things out for our good. Let me teach it to you! Say this after me:*

**"We know that** (both hands point to head)  
**God is always at work** (pound fists)  
**for the good** (thumbs to chest)  
**of everyone who loves Him.** (cross arms over chest)  
**They are the ones** (both hands point out)  
**God has chosen for His purpose."** (hands out, palm up)  
**Romans 8:28** (make book with hands)

Have kids sit in a circle, putting their feet in the middle. Point to one child's foot and say the first word of the verse. Have the group say each word of the verse as you point to the next foot. Whichever foot you are pointing to when you say "28," is out. Continue until there is only one foot remaining.