

Large Group Leader:

Time	What to Do	Materials
10 minutes	Set up Computer with songs on Youtube, google slides powerpoint for today	
3 minutes	Start timer. Invite classes to join	Timer video
2 minutes	Welcome kids Collect the offering: For wells in Africa	Offering bag
	Birthdays: Nora	
2 minutes		Bible
	<p>Leader: Sometimes we feel afraid, upset, or overwhelmed. Kids: God cares for us and brings us peace!</p> <p>Leader: When Saul was troubled, David played his harp and helped bring comfort. Kids: God can use music, kindness, and people to help others!</p> <p>Leader: Today we come to worship the God who brings peace to our hearts. Kids: We will sing, listen, and praise God together!</p> <p>Leader: Just as David used his gifts to serve, we can use our gifts for God too. Kids: Lord, use us to bring joy, peace,</p>	

	<p>and love to others!</p> <p>All: We worship God with glad hearts because He is always with us!</p>	
10 minutes singing	I Believe -- NEW VIDEO :)	Video
2 minutes	New memory verse! Say it together. There is a song to help learn the memory verse. See slide from right now media	
	Tell the story -- Page49	
3 minutes	Watch the video of the story	powerpoint
	Watch another video. This is a clip from the movie "David". Where david plays the harp for Saul and talks about Shalom (peace)	
	<p>Ask questions: See page 50</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What did Saul ask his servants to do? 2. What did David do? 3. 	
	<p>Questions from Kids Video:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How do we help people not feel sad? 2. How did Jesus make the way for all sadness to one day be gone forever? 	
2 minutes	<p>Pray with the kids</p> <p>Dear God, You are kind and generous. Thank You for sending Jesus to serve us by His life, death, and resurrection. Help us serve others and make the name of Jesus great. Amen.</p>	
1 minute	<p>Do the blessing with them:</p> <p>May the Lord Bless You and Keep you. May he make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord show you His favour and give you peace."</p>	

UNIT 10 | SESSION 5

DAVID PLAYED FOR SAUL

1 SAMUEL 16



KEY PASSAGE: Psalm 103:19

BIG PICTURE QUESTION: Who is our King? Jesus is our King forever, and He rules over the world.

CHRIST CONNECTION: Even though David knew he would be king one day, he served King Saul faithfully. Even though Jesus is God, He humbled Himself and took the form of a servant. He served His disciples by washing their feet, and He served His people by dying on a cross for their sin and rising again.

STORY POINT: David served Saul and played music to comfort him.



INTRODUCE the Bible Story

1 INTRODUCE THE SESSION (3 minutes)

Show the countdown video as you transition to introduce the Bible story. Set it to end as the session begins.

SAY 🗣️ Hi, kids! My name is [your name], and today we get to learn more from God's Word. If you have a Bible with you, will you take it out? [Distribute Bibles to kids who need one.] The Bible teaches us about how kind God is and how He wants to serve us. The greatest way God has served us is by sending His Son, Jesus, to die for our sins. God wants us to be like Him and serve others too.

Today, we will see how **DAVID SERVED SAUL AND PLAYED MUSIC TO COMFORT HIM**. [Display the Story Point Poster.] Let's pray and ask God to prepare our hearts to hear from His Word: 'Lord, thank You for sending Jesus to serve us through His life and death. Help us desire to learn from Your Word and see ways we can serve one another. In Jesus' name, amen.' 🙏

2 BIG PICTURE QUESTION (1 minute)

Display the Big Picture Question Poster.

SAY 🗣️ Today is our last time reviewing our big picture question. **Who is our King? [Allow responses.] Jesus is our King forever, and He rules over the world.** Let's say the answer again: **Jesus is our King forever, and He rules over the world.**

Jesus is not like many kings of this earth. Many kings only look out for themselves and use their position for their own gain. Jesus is the King who became a Servant. He came from His throne in heaven to serve others. Today, we will see how David was a bit like King Jesus. Even though David was chosen by God to be the next king, he chose to serve King Saul. Like Jesus, he didn't think he was too important to show kindness and help others. 🙏

3 REVIEW THE TIMELINE (1 minute)

Show the Giant Timeline. Point to individual Bible stories as you review.

SAY 🗣️ Who did the people of Israel choose as their first king? [Allow responses.] God's people chose Saul to be the first king of Israel. Saul saved Israel from some of their enemies, but he was disobedient to God. God rejected Saul as king. Who did God choose to be the next king of Israel? [Allow responses.] God chose David to be the next king. David may not have looked like a king on the outside, but his heart pleased the Lord. Today, we will see how **DAVID SERVED SAUL AND PLAYED MUSIC TO COMFORT HIM**. 🙏



LEARN the Bible Story

1 TELL THE BIBLE STORY: VIDEO OR STORYTELLER (10 minutes)

Open your Bible to 1 Samuel 16:14-23. Use the Bible storytelling tips to help you tell the story, or show the Bible story video “David Played for Saul.” Use the bold text to retell or review the story.

DAVID PLAYED FOR SAUL

“**The Spirit of the Lord had left Saul, and an evil spirit began to torment him. So, Saul’s servants said to him, “You see that an evil spirit is tormenting you. Let us look for someone who knows how to play the lyre. Whenever the evil spirit comes on you, that person can play the lyre, and you will feel better.”**

Saul commanded his servants, “Find me someone who plays well and bring him to me.”

One of the young men answered, “I have seen a son of Jesse from Bethlehem who knows how to play the lyre. He is also a brave warrior, a great communicator, and handsome. The LORD is with him.”

Saul sent his servants to Jesse and said, “Send me your son David, who is with the sheep.” So, Jesse took a donkey and loaded it with bread, a wineskin, and one young goat. Then **Jesse sent David**, along with the donkey loaded with gifts, **to Saul.**

When David came to Saul and began to serve him, Saul loved him very much. David became his armor-bearer. Saul sent word to Jesse: “Let David remain in my service, for he has found favor with me.” Anytime the evil spirit came on Saul, David would pick up his lyre and play. Then Saul would feel better, and the evil spirit would leave him.

Christ Connection: Even though David knew he would be king one day, he served King Saul faithfully. Even though Jesus is God, He humbled Himself and took the form of a servant. He served His disciples by washing their feet, and He served His people by dying on a cross for their sin and rising again. ”

STORYTELLING TIPS

Strum it: If kids made the lyre during the session starter, invite them to strum it while you share how David played music for Saul. Or invite kids to pretend to strum the lyre.

Play music: Play harp or lyre music quietly in the background as you tell the story.



LEARN

THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

2 REVIEW THE BIBLE STORY

SAY 🗣️ Saul was upset because an evil spirit bothered him. Saul had disobeyed God, and the Spirit of the Lord was no longer with him. What did Saul ask his servants to do? [Allow responses.] Saul told his servants to find someone who could play music. Saul’s servants remembered that David could play the lyre. So, Saul sent for David.

Last week, we learned that God chose David to be the next king over Israel. But **DAVID SERVED SAUL AND PLAYED MUSIC TO COMFORT HIM**. David didn’t think he was too important or special to serve Saul. How did Saul feel toward David? [Allow responses.] Saul loved David and made David his armor bearer. Saul appreciated the kindness David showed him. David knew he would be king one day, but he served King Saul faithfully. Even though Jesus is God, He humbled Himself and took the form of a servant. He served His disciples by washing their feet, and He served His people by dying on a cross for their sin and rising again. We can serve others, remembering how much Jesus has served us. 🙏

3 GOSPEL DISCUSSION

SAY 🗣️ Jesus loved people and put them first. When Jesus died on the cross, He served people by making the way for them to be saved from their sin. Jesus showed us the greatest love by laying down His life for us (John 15:13). Have you trusted in Jesus to take away your sins? 🙏

(Tip: Use Scripture and the Gospel Plan Poster to explain how to become a Christian. Create an environment where kids are welcome to ask questions about what it means to follow Jesus.)

4 QUESTIONS FROM KIDS (3 minutes)

Show the “Unit 10, Session 5” Questions from Kids video. Prompt kids to discuss:

1. How do we help people not feel sad?
2. How did Jesus make the way for all sadness to one day be gone forever?

5 MISSIONS MOMENT (3 minutes)

Display the “New Believers Class” printable. Tell kids that over one million university students live in Bangkok, Thailand. Explain that missionaries recognize how the younger generation of Thai people, like the university students, are more interested in the good news about Jesus than their elders who are more devout in their Buddhist faith.

SAY 🗣️ One way missionaries are trying to help people know more about Jesus in Thailand is by helping Thai students on the university campuses learn English. While they learn English, missionaries also teach them about Jesus. The students in the photo are attending a new believers class at the university where they can learn more about Jesus and how to share the gospel with others. The missionaries hope to start a new church so they can continue to reach out to more university students. 🙏

Pray for university students in Thailand to understand their need to trust Jesus as their



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Savior. Pray that more churches can be started in Bangkok to help more young people hear about Jesus.

6 KEY PASSAGE ACTIVITY (5 minutes)

Show the Key Passage Poster. Lead kids in reading aloud Psalm 103:19 together.

SAY “As we finish our last week reviewing our key passage, remember that Jesus is the one true King who laid down His life to save us and invite us into His kingdom.”

Distribute one piece of cardstock to each kid. Challenge kids to use markers, crayons, and colored pencils to draw pictures that help them remember the meaning of the key passage like a crown or a throne.

Lead kids to sing “The LORD Is Over All (Psalm 103:19).” You may also choose to sing a worship song of your choice.

7 PRAY (2 minutes)

Invite kids to pray before transitioning to Love.

SAY “Dear God, You are kind and generous. Thank You for sending Jesus to serve us by His life, death, and resurrection. Help us serve others and make the name of Jesus great. Amen.”

Transition from **LEARN** to **LOVE**



