ALONG THE WAY (Imaginarium)

WEEK 4 (OCT 26 2025)

BIG IDEA

We can trust God will make everything right.

BIBLE

Job Is Restored: Job 42:1-17; Mark 10:46-52

ABOUT THIS WEEK

Traveling can feel so stressful, but once you arrive at your destination and unpack, everything feels ... better. This week, we'll see what happened when God helped Job rebuild his life after he went through his uncomfortable experience.

Even though he lost so much, in the end God gave him so much more, which helps us know we can trust God will make everything right.

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Felix Bucks Store (15 MIN)

Felix bucks store will be open every week (15 min before the experience begins 9:15am, 10:55am, 12:55pm).

Kids can shop as they arrive. Simply write their names and the date on a paper so you know who has already shopped that day. Same rules apply they can by 2 small items or 1 large item each week.

Still start countdown right at the start of the experience (9:30am, 11:10am, 1:10pm). Store is closed with 1 min left on countdown so you can begin the experience right as the countdown ends.

CHECK-IN/PLAYTIME (5 MIN)

Check- In Opens 15 min before the Experience begins and closes 15 min after it begins

Kids will play until the main experience begins and then you will start lesson (check in will still be open for 15 more minutes station one of your helpers at the door for the remainder of check in)

Start countdown as soon as the main experience starts (9:30am, 11:10am, 1:10pm)

Whoever is doing check-in should stay there and welcome all kids. An Adult (18years or older) must drop kids off and check for name-tag with phone number on it.

Large Group Time

Welcome (5 MIN)

Introduce yourself and the other teachers

Welcome any first time kids (Have them come up front, introduce them, give them their 5 Felix Bucks and explain what Felix bucks are)

Pass out Felix Bucks (those attending more than one experience can receive Felix Bucks for all experiences they attend)

- Bible (1 Felix Buck)
- Notebook (1 Felix Buck)
- Paper from previous week (5 Felix Bucks)

Welcome back, travelers! I'm so glad you are with me on this epic journey. From airports and planes to trains, we've followed the story of Job to learn that **God is with us no matter what we go through!**

Because of this, **we can show God's love to others in small ways** when they're going through challenges.

There's so much more to learn because **God is bigger than we could ever understand,** so let's strap in for today's travel adventure, shall we?

Rules (5 MIN)

Go over Rules quickly but thoroughly:

- 1. No Talking without Permission
- 2. Be Kind!
 - Use Kind words (no curse words)
 - Keep your hands and feet to yourself (no fighting/shoving)
- 3. No Running
 - o No leaving the classroom without a leader
- 4. No personal Toys or Electronics
- 5. HAVE FUN!

You can give Felix bucks to those who know the rules (ex. what is rule #1? whoever can tell you gets a Felix Buck then quickly move to next rule)

Generosity Time (5 MIN)

Briefly explain what a tithe and offering is. That a tithe is giving back to God what is His and then he blesses the rest. An offering is anything more than our tithe. Everytime we sacrifice and give it opens the door for God to bless us even more.

MEMORY VERSE | Psalm 121:8 (NIV) (5 MIN)

- **PRE SUNDAY PREP:** Have the sign language motion video below loaded on ProPresenter and ready to play.
 - o **INSTRUCTIONS:** Learn the memory verse together in <u>sign language motions</u>, use the video to learn step by step how to do it then practice it together each week; You will have new kids each week so watch the video step by step before practicing full speed.
- "The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore."

Worship (8 MIN)

- - 1st Experience: <u>That's Who I Praise</u> (motions) by Brandon Lake (Kid Kardia)
 - 2nd Experience: Good God Almighty (Motions) by Passion Kids Worship (Kid Kardia)
 - Lead Teacher go on stage and have 2 volunteers on either side of you (remind the volunteers what they are doing on the stage. Leading their friends in worship not playing)
 - Don't be afraid to teach the kids about worship for a minute if you feel it is needed or explain the meaning of some of the words in the songs
 - Make sure you pray out of worship. (pray for upcoming week, families, the kids, whatever Holy Spirit is leads you to pray)
 - Don't forget to do Salvation Prayer.
 - make sure helper grabs green salvation bag from the back of Imaginrium, where the shirts are for those who said "yes".
 - Place bag by the door and give to kid(s) who said "yes" to Jesus as they leave. Also, let parent know the decision they made.

WHAT? What are we talking about today?

ACTIVITY | Rest Stop Relay (10 MIN)

PRE SUNDAY PREP: Have balloons in the room (10 to have plenty)

• **INSTRUCTIONS:** For this activity, you'll need balloons or beach balls. To play, split kids into teams and have them line up across the room, two arm's length apart. Give an inflated balloon or a beach ball to the first person in line. They have to pass it down the line by

tossing it into the air to the next person. They have to make it all the way down without letting it fall to the ground or grabbing the ball. If it falls, return it to the first person and start over. First team to have the balloon or ball make it all the way to the end. You could also have teams stand in a circle and count how many "bounces" they made on the ball before it falls to the ground.

- I feel like I've been traveling with you for a month! I think we were long overdue for a break at this rest stop. Might as well, since I think we're almost at our destination!
- Makes me think about Job. Does he ever catch a break? Well, today's Bible Story is about what happened to Job after God spoke to him. This is gonna be good!

QUESTION | Have you ever had an argument with someone? (5 MIN)

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Ask the following questions. You can have every kid shout their answer but then ask a few kids to share their answers with everyone. Comment briefly on their answers.
- Have you ever had a disagreement or argument with a friend or family member?
- How did you feel during that time?
- Did you manage to make things right with them afterward?
- You've been on this earth long enough to notice that sometimes things go wrong. There are times, though, that we can help make it right, like apologizing to a friend or offering to replace something you broke.
- But there are also times when it seems like there's nothing we can do to make things right
 again. It's easy to get down on ourselves and feel sad in times like these, but that's when we
 can remember that there is someone who can make everything right in ways we never
 would have thought!
- I'll give you a hint—it's God!

SO WHAT? Why does it matter to God and to us?

VIDEO | Along The Way, Episode 4 (8 MIN)

- INSTRUCTIONS: Play this week's episode of Grow TV.
- Or dowload the months videos here.

BIG IDEA | We can trust God will make everything right. (5 MIN)

PRE SUNDAY PREP: Print and cut out the Polaroid printables cover them with black sticky notes and leave the sticky notes in the room to be used to cover again for each experience

• **INSTRUCTIONS:** Cut out the images from the Polaroid <u>printable</u>. Use a <u>black sticky note</u> to cover each of the "photos." Invite kids to come up, remove the sticky note, and share the word underneath with the group then pass the "polaroid" around. Work together to put the words in the correct order, then recite the Big Idea together.

- When we travel, we see and learn about so many things along the way to any destination. It's a good thing I captured the most important moments on camera!
- Sometimes, when we know that God is good, and yet we don't see our life as being very good at the moment, we can wonder what God is doing, wonder if God really is all that "good," and even wonder if God is really there. But just like we see that God never really left Job at all, we can trust God will make everything right in our own lives.

VIDEO | A Clip from "Home Alone" (10 MIN)

PRE SUNDAY PREP: Pre-fill small bags with popcorn and have ready to pass out; Have the below clip loaded on Pro-Presenter

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Pass out bags of popcorn or a suitable alternative for kids who are allergic to popcorn. Then have the kids watch <u>this clip</u> (start at 1:49) from "Home Alone 2," about Kevin's reunion with his mom (or something similar) as resort entertainment.
- Did you check out the movie that was playing at the resort lobby? It was this classic movie, "Home Alone 2" about a little boy named Kevin who was supposed to go on a trip with his family. But unexpectedly, Kevin got on a different plane. He was all alone in New York City dealing with burglars while his family flew all the way to Florida!
- Kevin had no one, and I think that's how Job must have felt, too—alone and not sure what to do. Throughout most of the movie, Kevin's mother frantically tries to return home to her son. She doesn't give up.
- God cares about us all, and God never gives up on us. When things go wrong in our lives, God wants us to trust that everything will be all right. Maybe things don't get fixed exactly the way we think they should. Maybe not all of us get that amazing happy ending Job got. But even when it might not look like it, we can trust God will make everything right.

OBJECT LESSON | Make It Make Sense (5 MIN)

PRE SUNDAY PREP: Have scrabble tiles in the room

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** For this object lesson, you will need tiles from Scrabble. Give each kid a handful of letters and invite them to try and create a word with the letters they have and add up the numbers (have leaders or older kids help out younger kids). Hold onto some extra tiles, and help out kids who have a difficult assortment of letters.
- One thing I love to do when I travel is play games with my family and friends. Scrabble is one of my favorites, but the board was too big to carry with me, so we're just playing with the tiles today.
 - What were some of your thoughts when everyone got a different number of tiles?
 - Who wants to share some of the words you were able to make with your tiles?
- Interestingly enough, all of you made different words. Based on the tiles you were given, some of you made words easily while some of you could only make a two-letter word or no word at all. You might think it's unfair that you didn't get as many useful or high-scoring letters. But the letters you were given have nothing to do with *your* value. Does that make sense?

- Because this happens in life, too. We might look at how well others are doing and wonder
 why we can't have those things, too. It doesn't make sense. We might even say things like if
 God really loved me, I should have all the best things and everything in my life should be
 perfect.
- That's not how it works. Life is messy because as wonderful as God made the world, God also allowed people to make their own choices. Throughout time, a lot of bad choices led to a lot of bad things sticking around, making it an unjust and confusing world sometimes.
- God promises it won't be like this forever. One day, God will fix all the broken things, and things like war, poverty, hunger, fear, and more will be gone forever. Until that one day, we can go through each day leaning on God and being thankful that God is still with us and loves us.
- It might not be today, and it might not be in the ways we might have pictured, but **we can** trust God will make everything right!

NOW WHAT? What does God want us to do about it?

RESPONSE | Big Idea Passport (10 MIN)

- **INSTRUCTIONS**: Use the Big Idea passports you assembled in Week 1. Make sure you have extra copies for kids who weren't here previously. Consider using <u>visa stamps</u> or <u>stickers</u> to decorate the pages. Allow kids to take their passports home today!
- When you travel, you'll need to have a passport. A passport shows who you are and what country you're a citizen of. If you get into trouble along the way, you can use your passport to get help from your home country! Your passport can also remind you of all the places you've been and what you saw and experienced along the way!
- Check that you have the correct passport, then turn to the final blank page.
 - Write today's Big Idea at the top of the page: We can trust God will make everything right.
 - o Then write or draw about something right in your life that God has already given you.
 - What is something that you'd like to see made right one day?
- Take these passports home, and put them somewhere you can look at them. These passports will not only remind us of the journey Job took and what he learned along the way but are great reminders of what God is teaching us along the way, too. Bon voyage!

Small Group Time

REFLECTION | What If (if needed)

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Dim the lights in your space and invite kids to close their eyes and have kids sit back in their chairs.
- What if you were Job and God had basically reversed all your troubles and turned them into blessings?
- How would you show your thankfulness to God?
- How do you think he would have reacted if God hadn't blessed him like this?

- From what we know about Job, it's fair to say he continued to trust and love God. Don't get me wrong—what he went through was horrible. But somehow, even in tragedy, Job gained a new understanding of God.
 - When Job was hurting and sad, God took care of him and made his faith stronger. When Job's friends and family abandoned him or discouraged him, God was always with him, so Job was never alone.
 - So even if God hadn't made things right by restoring his health and fortunes, Job would have trusted God's big picture.
- Trusting God to make things right doesn't mean we simply sit around and wait for things to happen. Because sometimes, God makes things right through people ... like you and me. There are plenty of things we can do in our own lives to make things right.
 - Let's name some things we know of that seem to be going wrong. Are you struggling to get along with someone, fit in somewhere, or communicate how you feel?
 - o Is there anything you can do to help make it right?
 - o Talk to one of the adults here if you think we can help you in anyway!
- Whatever seems to be going wrong in your life, talk to God about it. Trust God to make it right, even if making it right might not mean that everything gets better in our eyes. It will take time, but we can learn to trust God with any outcome. We can trust God will make everything right.