



WEEK  
**TWO**  
OCTOBER 2024

LARGE GROUP  
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## TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

**NOTE:** This version of the curriculum is designed especially for churches with fewer leaders and kids. You may want to use it if you have just one or two leaders and if you combine all your kids in both Large and Small Group time.

### TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

**These Words**  
Choose Your Words Carefully  
Proverbs 12:18

### TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

Think before you speak.

### MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

God's power has given us  
everything we need to lead  
a godly life.  
2 Peter 1:3a, NIV

### MONTHLY VIRTUE

Self-control—Choosing to do what's  
best even when you don't want to

### BASIC TRUTH

I need to make the wise choice.

### PRELUDE: Setting the Tone for the Experience

See the **Getting Ready** pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you'll need for today.

In the **Prelude** folder of your curriculum, you'll find a variety of other resources to help you prepare.

### SMALL GROUP

**15**  
MIN

#### **SOCIAL: Providing Time for Fun Interaction**

Early Arriver  
Opening Activity

### LARGE GROUP

**35**  
MIN

#### **STORY: Communicating God's Truth in Engaging Ways** **WORSHIP: Inviting People to Respond to God**

Opener  
Worship ("The Power" from *Everything to Me*, and "Keep on Waiting" from *My Life for You*)  
Bible Story  
Bottom Line  
What's Our Part in the Story?  
Prayer

### SMALL GROUP

**25**  
MIN

#### **GROUPS: Creating a Safe Place to Connect**

Bible Story Review: Zip It!  
Application Activity: No Take Backs  
Memory Verse Activity: What's Missing?  
Prayer Activity: Pray and Dismiss

### HOME: Prompting Action Beyond the Experience

Parent Cue Card (Print or Email)  
Devotionals for Kids  
Parent Cue App



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## LARGE GROUP

ENGAGE KIDS' HEARTS THROUGH A DYNAMIC AND INTERACTIVE BIBLE STORY, WORSHIP, AND PRAYER EXPERIENCE IN A LARGE GROUP SETTING.

**AUDIO: PLAY HIGH-ENERGY MUSIC AS KIDS ENTER.**

**SLIDE: THEME**

**OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME LOOP**

Leader enters, wearing the same game show host attire as last week.

**OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): COUNTDOWN**

**OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME INTRO**

**OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME LOOP**

## OPENER

**LEADER:** "Hi, everyone! It's another day of game show fun here at [name of your environment]! You helped me pick out this snazzy game show host outfit last time, and I must say, it was the best choice you could have made.

"We're playing games and making choices all month long . . . and if this outfit gives any clue to the choices you'll make, we're in good shape!

"Today we'll play a game I like to call 'Friendly Feud'! Let's start out by dividing into two teams.

Divide the kids into two teams, making sure to divide ages as equally as possible.

"You now have 10 seconds to pick your team name and choose a team captain.

Count down in your head, and then hit the buzzer when the time is up.

"Let's hear those team names!

Draw a line down the middle of the dry-erase board. Write the team names on one side of the board. This is where you'll keep track of their points.

On the other half of the board (or on a separate board), write the numbers 1 through 5. This is where you'll write down the correct answers as the kids guess them.



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"Let's have our team captains come up and kick us off.

*Bring up the two captains. Have them stand on opposite sides of the stool/table with the buzzer.*

*(To the captains) "[Kids' names], please stand on either side of this buzzer. Put one hand behind your back. I'll ask you a question that has five possible answers. When I ask you the question, if you're the first person to hit the buzzer, you get to give me an answer. If you guess one of the five possible answers on the board, you'll score one point for your team.*

*"However, you'd better think before you speak—or even hit the buzzer! Because if your answer is NOT on the board (make an X with your arms and make a strike noise) . . . or if you don't have an answer immediately, the other captain will get a chance to answer.*

*"After our captains have had a turn and one team has scored a point, then play will go to the OTHER team. They'll try to guess another one of the answers together as a team. We'll keep going back and forth, and the team with the most points at the end of the game wins.*

*"Let's play 'Friendly Feud'! Our game today will be focused on this question. Remember, captains—hit the buzzer as soon as you have a guess.*

*Read from the printed "Friendly Feud" Game Sheet.*

*"Name one of the top five kid-friendly movies worldwide in 2023.*

*Call on the team captain who hits the buzzer first. If they don't answer within five seconds, allow the other team captain a chance to guess. Use the Game Sheet to reference which answers are correct.*

*Give a point to the team whose captain successfully guesses one of the five answers on the board. Write their correct answer on the board (next to the appropriate number).*

*Note: If neither captain guesses correctly, then go back to the first team and let them make a guess as a team, and so on.*

*After the first round with the captains, the rest of the game will be played as a team. When it's their turn, the team will work together to choose a guess, and the captain will give you their guess. If they answer correctly, give them a point and write their answer on the board (next to the appropriate number).*

*Anytime a team guesses a movie that is NOT on the list, the Leader will make an X with their arms and make a strike sound. That team does not get a point, and the next turn goes back to the other team.*

*Keep bouncing back and forth between the teams until they've guessed all five answers (or as long as time allows). You can give a hint if needed, but make sure to give the other team a hint for the next question in order to keep the game fair.*



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*Keep track of the points on the dry-erase board. The team with the most points wins.*

“Incredible! What an exciting round of ‘Friendly Feud.’ Thanks for playing, everyone. Now let’s put our focus on God as we get ready to worship!”



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## WORSHIP

**LEADER:** "Before we sing, let's all read this month's Memory Verse together. It's 2 Peter 1:3a.

**SLIDE: MEMORY VERSE**

**LEADER AND KIDS:** *God's power has given us everything we need to lead a godly life. (2 Peter 1:3a, NIV)*

**LEADER:** "It's so good to know that we don't have to rely on our own strength to choose to do what's best. God gives us the power to **[Basic Truth] make the wise choice**. Let's worship now and thank God for giving us everything we need to have self-control!

**AUDIO: "THE POWER" / TRACK 3 FROM EVERYTHING TO ME**

"Even when we feel weak, God's strength is at work in us. God's Spirit helps us choose what's best. We can move when we know God wants us to move . . . and we can wait when God wants us to wait. Let's sing about that now.

**AUDIO: "KEEP ON WAITING" / TRACK 4 FROM MY LIFE FOR YOU**

"Great singing, everyone! That was fun. You can have a seat."



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## BIBLE STORY

SLIDE: THEME BACKGROUND

### SETTING UP THE STORY

**LEADER:** "Today we're reading from the book of Proverbs in the Bible. (*Hold up Bible.*) Proverbs is a collection of wise sayings—many of which came from King Solomon.

"You might remember how Solomon became king over God's people when he was young. He was worried about leading an entire nation with so little experience. One night, God spoke to Solomon in a dream and told him that he could have ANY gift he wanted.

"Solomon could have asked for money or power, but what did he ask for? (*Pause for response.*) Right. Wisdom. Solomon knew that he needed God's wisdom so he could be the best leader for his people. And sure enough, God made Solomon one of the wisest people who ever lived!

"Many of the things Solomon learned and said were collected here in the book of Proverbs. (*Hold up Bible.*) These sayings, or proverbs, can help us make wise decisions in our everyday lives.

### WORDS ARE POWERFUL

**LEADER:** "Listen to Solomon's wise words here in Proverbs 12:18.

*Open the Bible to Proverbs 12:18 (NirV) and read.*

*The words of thoughtless people cut like swords.  
But the tongue of wise people brings healing. (NirV)*

"Let me read that again.

*The words of thoughtless people cut like swords.  
But the tongue of wise people brings healing. (NirV)*

*Walk behind the table with the printed pictures that are pre-taped to the front edge, facing down on the tabletop.*

"Okay. Have you ever thought about how powerful your words can be? Words are like a superpower that God has given us.

"Our words can be SO powerful that they're like swords.

*Flip the sword picture (#1) over the side of the table so the kids can see it.*

"If we're not careful, our words can do a lot of damage. They can hurt someone deeply.

"Or . . . our words can help someone heal.

*Flip the bandage picture (#2) over the side of the table so the kids can see it.*



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## STOP AND THINK

**LEADER:** "Remember, Solomon said:

*Open the Bible to Proverbs 12:18 (NirV) and read.*

*The words of **thoughtless** people cut like swords. (NirV)*

"'Thoughtless' means that we don't think. We just say whatever comes to mind. And that can get us into trouble!

"See, we don't usually mean to hurt others with our words. But we just don't think first. We don't stop to consider how our words will come across to the other person.

"So what can you do to avoid hurting someone with your words? Before you speak, STOP.

*Flip the stop sign picture (#3) over the side of the table so the kids can see it.*

"Once you stop, take a second to THINK.

*Flip the thought bubble picture (#4) over the side of the table so the kids can see it.*

"If what you're about to say is mean or hurtful . . . don't say it!

## WORDS THAT HEAL

**LEADER:** "Instead, you could choose words that HEAL.

*Point back to the picture with the bandage (#2).*

"Remember what Solomon said?

*Open the Bible to Proverbs 12:18 (NirV) and read.*

*The tongue of wise people brings healing. (NirV)*

"What type of words can do that? What types of words bring healing?

*Ask the kids for suggestions. Match their suggestions to these categories, and flip over the pictures as you reference them:*

- Words of love (heart picture, #5)
- Encouraging words (thumbs-up picture, #6)
- Words of truth (Bible picture, #7)

"Right. We can speak words of love. We can let people know that we care about them, and that we've always got their back.

"We can speak encouraging words. We can give a compliment, or let someone know that we're glad they're our friend.



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"We can speak words of truth. We can remind each other of what's true about God—that God loves us, and God is always with us. We can even share verses from the Bible that will help someone remember that God is there.

"It's important to stop and think BEFORE you say something. That way you can avoid saying thoughtless words that hurt.

*Point back to the picture with the sword (#1).*

"You can make sure that your words are helpful and healing.

*Point back to the picture with the bandage (#2).*

"And if you THINK something positive about someone, take a few seconds to actually SAY it!

*Walk in front of the table as you wrap up.*

## WRAPPING UP THE STORY

**LEADER:** "It's not easy to control what you say . . . especially if you try to do it on your own. We all need God's help so we can choose our words carefully.

"That's why it's so important for us to stop and think about what we say . . . before we say it. We can pray in those moments and ask God to help us. When we follow Jesus, God sends the Holy Spirit to live inside of us and give us guidance. God's Spirit can help us control the things we say so our words bring healing instead of hurt.

"Here's what we need to remember today:

**SLIDE: BOTTOM LINE**

**"Think before you speak.** Say that with me."

**LEADER AND KIDS: "Think before you speak."**

**SLIDE: THEME**

**OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME LOOP**

## WHAT'S OUR PART IN THE STORY?

**LEADER:** "With God's help, we can do that. We can think before we speak. We can choose our words with self-control.

**SLIDE: VIRTUE**

**OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME TRANSITION TO VIRTUE**

"Self-control is about **choosing to do what's best even when you don't want to.**

**SLIDE: THEME**

**OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): VIRTUE TRANSITION TO THEME**

**OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME LOOP**





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"I bet we can all think of some times when other people's words hurt us. We can also probably think of times when we've hurt someone with OUR words—even if we didn't mean to. Sometimes we speak harsh words out of anger. Or maybe we say something that's supposed to be a joke . . . but it ends up hurting someone's feelings.

"I bet we can also think of times when someone shared healing words with us—words that really helped us.

*Share about a time when someone spoke words of love, encouragement, or truth to you and made a difference in your life.*

"I know I want to use healing words like that with the people around me. That takes a lot of self-control! It means taking a second to stop and think . . . and ask God for help. Like if your little brother spills water all over your homework . . . you could take a deep breath and tell him it's okay, because you know it was an accident. Or if your friend is having a bad day, you can encourage them and let them know that you're always there to talk. Sometimes it's wisest not to say anything at all . . . and just listen.

"God's Spirit creates self-control IN us. That's what gives us the strength to choose our words with kindness and compassion. Let's pray and ask God to help us use our words wisely!"

## PRAYER

**LEADER:** "Dear God, we want to practice self-control—especially when it comes to our words. We want to be thoughtful and choose words that are healing, not hurtful. Please help each of us in here to slow down . . . to pause . . . and to think about the words that we're saying to others. Please help us to choose words that heal so we can show Your love to people around us. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

*Dismiss kids to their small groups.*

**AUDIO: PLAY HIGH-ENERGY MUSIC AS THE KIDS EXIT.**

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## GETTING READY

HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO GET READY FOR THIS WEEK

### STORY: COMMUNICATING GOD'S TRUTH IN ENGAGING WAYS (25 MINUTES)

### WORSHIP: INVITING PEOPLE TO RESPOND TO GOD (10 MINUTES)

#### 1. OPENER/CLOSER

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Leader
- Snazzy jacket from last week
- Vintage/fun microphone from last week
- Game show buzzer (can be anything that makes noise)
- Stool or high-top table
- Tape, if needed
- "Friendly Feud" Game Sheet, printed from the LG Assets PDF
- Dry-erase board(s) and dry-erase marker

##### MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS:

- Upbeat music to use as kids enter the room

##### LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Theme Slide
- "Friendly Feud" Game Sheet from the LG Assets PDF

##### OPTIONAL VIDEOS (AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE THROUGH THE 252 MEDIA PACKAGE):

- Theme Loop
- Countdown
- Theme Intro

##### WHAT YOU DO:

- Download and print this week's tech sheet for everyone helping with Large Group.
- Download the slides or optional videos and have them ready to use. If you do not have screen capabilities, you have Orange's permission to enlarge and print the slides on paper.
- Refer to week 1 to confirm that your church has appropriate licensing to perform or play music and sound effects in your kids' environments.
- A 252 Media Package is available for purchase to

go along with each curriculum tier. These graphic motion loops are included in the package. For more information, visit [Store.ThinkOrange.com](https://Store.ThinkOrange.com).

- Set the stool or high-top table in the middle of the stage. Place the game show buzzer on top of the stool or table. (Secure it with tape, if needed.)

#### 2. WORSHIP

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Leader(s)

##### MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS:

- "The Power" from *Everything to Me*
- "Keep on Waiting" from *My Life for You*

##### LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Memory Verse Slide

##### WHAT YOU DO:

- Download all songs and have them ready to use.
- Dance Moves Music Videos and Live Lyrics Videos are available for many Orange Kids Music songs. For more information, visit [Store.ThinkOrange.com](https://Store.ThinkOrange.com).
- A 252 Media Package is available for purchase to go along with each curriculum tier. The *Live Loud* faith skills video and the Dance Moves Music Video for the monthly worship song are included in the package. For more information, visit [Store.ThinkOrange.com](https://Store.ThinkOrange.com).

#### 3. BIBLE STORY

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Leader
- Bible
- Rectangular table(s)
- Bible Story Pictures, printed from the LG Assets PDF
- Tape

##### MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS:

- Upbeat music to use as kids exit the room

##### LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Theme Background Slide



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## GETTING READY

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- Bottom Line Slide
- Theme Slide
- Virtue Slide
- Bible Story Pictures (printable)

### OPTIONAL VIDEOS (AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE THROUGH THE 252 MEDIA PACKAGE):

- Theme Loop
- Theme Transition to Virtue
- Virtue Transition to Theme

### WHAT YOU DO:

- Download the slides and have them ready to use. If you do not have screen capabilities, you have Orange's permission to enlarge and print the slides on paper.
- Confirm that your church has appropriate licensing to perform or play music and sound effects in your kids' environments (see above under Opener).
- Place the table(s) on the stage. Tape each of the printed Bible Story Pictures onto the table(s), onto the edge that's facing the audience. The top edge of each page should be flush with the tabletop as you tape it. Make sure the pages are in the correct order from the script (starting with #1 on the left, going toward #7 on the right), from the audience's perspective, spaced evenly. Once the pages are secure, flip them up and over so that they're lying flat on the tabletop with the printed side down. As the Leader tells the story, they'll flip over the pictures so the kids can see them, one by one.

### VIDEO ENHANCEMENTS FOR YOUR ENVIRONMENT

AVAILABLE FOR ADDITIONAL PURCHASE AT [STORE.THINKORANGE.COM](http://STORE.THINKORANGE.COM).

**FEATURE PRESENTATION:** Everything you need to pull off a dynamic video storytelling experience, including video Bible presentations to complement 252 Kids and 252 Preteen curriculum.

Our Large Group scripts are interchangeable with these videos so you can plug and play the way you need to each week.

For 252 Kids (kindergarten through 3rd grade):

- In *StoryLab*, two inquisitive young Hosts invite kids to engage with the month's Virtue, setting up a simple and direct telling of the Bible story by a professional Storyteller.

For 252 Preteen (4th and 5th grade):

- In *The So & So Show*, two Hosts and a Communicator walk you through a contemporary and comedic presentation of the Bible story. This YouTube-style show sets up the story and also connects it to the weekly Key Question for preteens.

**GET REEL:** Videos and graphics to enhance your 252 Kids and 252 Preteen curriculum environments. Four videos each month that will help kids learn basic faith skills. Use these videos in your FX (Family Experience), Large Group, or midweek programming, or share them with families in your church according to the terms of the 252 Enhanced Licensing Agreement.

*Discovery*—Listen to God's words (HEAR)  
*Dear God*—Dialogue with God (PRAY)  
*One Thing*—Articulate your faith (TALK)  
*Live Loud*—Worship with your life (LIVE)

### ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENT ENHANCEMENTS INCLUDING:

- Motion graphics, including loops
- Themed audio transitions
- Virtue and monthly widget promo videos (Melv and Greg)
- Countdown videos (30 seconds, 60 seconds, and 5 minutes)
- Dance moves music video for an additional worship song related to the monthly virtue
- Retro Reel video to play on your fifth Sunday