

Gideon Leads God's Army



BIBLE VERSE:

"Do what the
Lord says is
good."
Deuteronomy
6:18



SCHEDULE

Activity

Prayer

Worship

Bible Story

Craft

ACTIVITY:

Talk to your child about the Bible. Talk about how it is God's Word. We read it so we can learn about God and share with others.

Sing This Little Light of Mine with your child. Hold up pointer finger as you sing along with the children. After the song say, "The Bible story today is about Gideon and his small army facing a huge enemy. The army of God did so with a light and a trumpet. "

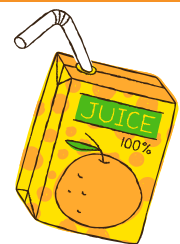
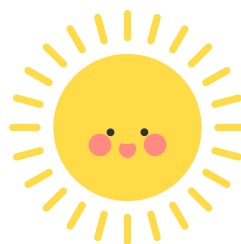
Play Simon Says with your little one. Tell your child following God's instructions is always the best thing to do!

PRAYER:

It is so important that you pray with your baby/toddler. Pray for your child's salvation.

Demonstrate how to pray, folding your hands, bowing your head. Teaching prayer begins during infancy. You may pray yourself or use the following prayer.

Prayer: "Dear God, thank you for this day. Help us to obey and remember to pray. We know you are always with us even during the scary times. We love you. In Jesus' name, Amen."



WORSHIP:

Sing "I'm in the Lord's Army".

Click link below to watch and sing along.

➡ <https://youtu.be/jWOGjICOaKw> ⬅

While singing with your baby/toddler, rock them back and forth and interact with them. Let them learn that singing songs about the Lord is a wonderful sweet way to learn about God and bond with you.



BIBLE STORY:

Hold up the Bible, "This is the Bible. We love our Bible. It is the Word of God. The Bible is truth." Hug the Bible to your chest. "Let's pat our Bible." Take the baby/toddler's hand and have them pat the Bible. Read the story with enthusiasm to capture their attention.

Babies and Toddlers:

Hold up the teaching picture attached to this lesson or read the story from a Children's Bible. Story comes from Judges 6,7.

"God told Gideon they needed to free the land. Lots of people came to help Gideon. God said there were too many people. God wanted to show it was Him who would let them win. God told Gideon that if anyone was afraid they could go home Over half of Gideon's army went home. That's a lot of people! God said there were still too many people. God told Gideon to take the men to have a drink. Some used their hand to drink the water. Some drank the water like a dog. God said that only the ones who used their hands could be in the army. There were only 300 men left! Gideon gave them trumpets and empty jars with torches. The men surround the enemy at night. They blew their trumpets and showed

torches. The enemy was really scared. They fought themselves. Some ran away. God saved Gideon and the people."

TIME TO TALK:

As you change diapers, wash hands, rock, play with, and console your baby/toddler take time to talk about the Bible story.

AFFIRMING STATEMENTS:

God can always provide the victory.

God uses ordinary people to do great things. Following God's instructions is always the best thing to do!



TEACHING PICTURE



CRAFT:

Craft attached. For this craft, talk to your child about the lesson. Talk how God kept Gideon and his army safe and they won! Talk about how it's always important to follow God's instructions and that God uses ordinary people to do extraordinary things! Once your child is done with their craft, end in prayer.

