



Get Their Attention! (5 min)

Materials: None

SAY the following to the group:

Today we are going to meet our friends as we pat our knees and say this together:

I love lions & monkeys too! (pat knees to create rhythm as you say together)

My name is (say name here).

Who are you? (point to other child)

CONTINUE until all group members have been introduced. Assist kids as needed by saying their name with them, or for them, if they are hesitant.

TELL kids that on safari today we are going to discover how the Bible can help us!

Bible Story (5 min)

Materials: Bible Story Picture Cards, Stamp

SHOW & READ Bible Story Picture Cards aloud to group ("Proverbs"). When a child answers a question from the **Cards**, give them a **stamp!**

SAY the following to review:

Each of these Bible stories from Proverbs HELP us see how God wants us to live. Every story in the Bible HELPS you and me!

Let's say this together:

The Bible (make book with hands)

Helps (reach book out)

Me! (thumbs to chest)

Application Activity (10 min)

Materials: Bible Story Picture Cards, Help Sheet, Beanbag

1. Place **Bible Story Picture Cards** picture-side up in center of group, then remind kids what each picture means by reading the caption at the bottom.
2. Give one child the **beanbag** & read one situation from the **Help Sheet** aloud.
3. Have the child answer the last question from your situation by tossing the **beanbag** onto the correct **Bible Story Picture Card**.
4. Repeat steps 2 & 3 until all kids have had a turn (may need to repeat some situations).
5. Review by saying:

God loves you and wants to HELP you—that's why He gave us the Bible! When you don't know what to do, just remember what we learn from the Bible at church or ask someone to read the Bible to you.

The Bible (make book with hands)

Helps (reach book out)

Me! (thumbs to chest)

Need to Know:

The Bible

(make book with hands)

Helps

(reach book out)

Me!

(thumbs to chest)

Bible Stories:

Proverbs

Ant (6:6-8 CEV)

Honey (25:16 ERV)

Lion (28:1b NIRV)

Materials:

- ⚙ Bible Story Picture Cards
- ⚙ Stamp
- ⚙ Beanbag
- ⚙ Help Sheet
- ⚙ Animal Plates
- ⚙ Hand Sanitizer
- ⚙ Snacks
- ⚙ Coloring Sheets
- ⚙ Crayons
- ⚙ Filler Activity Guide

Application Summary:

Kids will play bean bag toss as they discover that the Bible can help us in every situation!

Remember Verse:

“Open my eyes (hands open wide beside eyes)

so that I can see (make binoculars with hands)

all the wonderful things (two thumbs up)

in your teachings.”
(make book with hands)

Psalm 119:18

Getting To Know You:

Use these questions to get to know your group during Snack/Coloring Time.

- ⚙ **What is one thing that makes you feel sad/scared/mad?**
(Talk to your group about how the Bible can help us, no matter how they feel.)
- ⚙ **Did you have fun today?**
- ⚙ **What did you learn?**

Remember Verse Game (5 min)

Materials: Animal Plates, Beanbag

1. Have kids repeat each line of Remember Verse after you, with motions.
2. Place **Animal Plates** in center of the group.
3. Allow each child to toss **beanbag** onto one of the **Animal Plates**.
4. Group will say verse together, acting/sounding like animal the beanbag landed on.
5. Continue until all children have had a turn.
6. **REMIND** kids that if they can say the verse by themselves next week, they'll win a WILD prize!

Wrap It Up (10 min)

Materials: Hand Sanitizer, Snacks, Coloring Sheets, Crayons, Filler Activity Guide

LARGE GROUP REVIEW:

1. **What animal did we meet on our safari today?** (Lion)
2. **Did the lion say the Bible hurts us or that the Bible HELPS us?** (HELPS us)
3. **What animal do you think we'll meet on safari next week?!**

PRAY with your group, having them repeat the following after you in short phrases.

Dear God, thank you for giving me the Bible. Help me remember to read it when I need help. I love you! In Jesus' name I pray, amen!

SANITIZE hands with **hand sanitizer** & **PASS OUT snacks**.

PASS OUT coloring sheets & crayons.

STAY in Small Group as families arrive. Use **Filler Activity Guide** as needed.