



## Get Their Attention! (5 minutes)

Materials: None

**WELCOME** kids to Wise Up! **EXPLAIN** that we will have so much fun learning how to listen and WISE UP as we wiggle through the Bible!

**INTRODUCE** yourself to the group as their leader, and **ASK** each child to say his/her name aloud to the group.

**AFTER** all kids have been introduced, **SAY** the following:

***I have a special game for us to play today! I am going to TELL you something fun to do and you will do what I SAY. Are you ready to play?*** (Allow responses)  
***Everyone stand up and LISTEN very carefully.*** (Everyone stands)

***Let's click on our listening ears.*** (Everyone clicks on ears) ***Click, Click! Good job! Here we go!*** (You will SAY a different action than you're actually doing.)

☞ (Leader will JUMP) ***Let me see you RUN in your spot.***

☞ (Leader will SQUAT LOW) ***Now let me see everyone REACH UP HIGH.***

☞ (Leader will SMILE) ***Now let me see you make a MAD face.***

☞ (Leader will RUN) ***Let me see you FREEZE, like a statue.***

☞ (Leader will sit & REACH HIGH) ***Now let's SIT and put our hands in our LAPS.***

After all kids are seated, **SAY**:

***Was it hard to do what I SAID and not do what I DID?*** (Allow responses)

***Today we are going to discover how we can LISTEN and WISE UP!***

***If you are ready to LISTEN whisper: I Will*** (thumbs to chest) ***Listen*** (cup hand around ear)!

## Application Activity (8 minutes)

Materials: *God's Story for Me Bible, Beanbag, Wise Up Cards*

1. **SHOW** and **READ** pp. 159-163 from *God's Story for Me Bible* ("Samuel Listens to God").
2. **TELL** kids that we are going to toss the **beanbag** to find out how we can WISE UP by LISTENING!
3. **SCATTER** **Wise Up Cards** in the center of the group.
4. Allow each child to **STAND UP, WIGGLE** like a worm and **TOSS** the **beanbag** onto one of the **Wise Up Cards**.
5. **READ** the child's **Wise Up Card** aloud, and allow group to respond.
6. **PLAY** until everyone has had a turn, or as time allows, and then **SAY**:

***We can learn so much when we LISTEN to God and to others!***

***This week, you can WISE UP as you remember*** (have kids repeat after you):

***I Will*** (thumbs to chest)

***Listen!*** (cup hand around ear)

### Bible Story:

**Samuel Listens to God**  
1 Samuel 3

### Need to Know:

**I Will**  
(thumbs to chest)

**Listen!**  
(cup hand around ear)

### Materials:

- ☞ *God's Story for Me Bible*
- ☞ **Beanbag**
- ☞ **Wise Up Cards**
- ☞ **Hand Sanitizer**
- ☞ **Snacks**
- ☞ **Coloring Sheets**
- ☞ **Crayons**

### Application Activity Summary:

Kids will play a tossing game to discover how they can WISE UP by listening.

**Filler Activities:**

Use any of the following to help keep kids engaged for the remainder of the small group:

**Teacher Says**

If “Teacher Says” to do a motion, kids will repeat motion. If Teacher does NOT say to do a motion, kids will continue doing previous motion. Allow kids a turn to be “Teacher.”

**Follow the Leader**

Have kids follow you as your group walks in a circle and copies your motions. Allow kids a turn to be the “Leader.”

**Willy's Wiggle Worms**

Call out different motions for kids to do to shake out their wiggles. These motions could include: stand up, sit down, hop three times, run in place, wiggle, etc.

**Up, Down and All Around**

Have kids move quickly as you call out the following motions at random. Switch up the order and get faster and slower for more of a challenge!

**Example: “Up. Up. Dance all around. Down. Up. Down. Dance all around. Dance all around. Down. Up. Up. Up.”**

**Wrap It Up (2 minutes)**

**Materials:** Hand Sanitizer, Snacks, Coloring Sheets, Crayons

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

**Dear God, please help me listen to you and to others every day! Thank you for my snack. I love you! In Jesus' name I pray. Amen!**

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

As kids eat **snacks**, **EXPLAIN** and **PRACTICE** Remember Verse by saying:

**God has great things to tell me and you! We can WISE UP and learn these great things as we read the Bible! Let's say these words from the Bible together:**

(**SAY** each Remember Verse phrase and allow kids to repeat.)

**“Wise people** (thumbs to chest)

**Can listen** (cup hand around ear)

**And learn...”** (point to head)

**Proverbs 1:5** (show one finger)

**GIVE** each child a **coloring sheet** and **crayons**. As kids color, **TALK** about what they learned today.

**USE** Filler Activities on **LEFT** to keep kids engaged in small group until they are checked out.