

## DISMISSAL ACTIVITY

DISMISSAL activities allow kids to learn more about the Bible by focusing on a specific theme each quarter.

### OLD TESTAMENT VS. NEW TESTAMENT

**WHAT YOU NEED:** *Books of the Bible* flash cards (1 set)

**WHAT YOU SAY:** “Over the next four months, we’re going to learn the books of the Bible! The Bible is God’s Word to us and it has 66 books that are made up of letters, stories, poems, and instructions that teach us about God and how He wants us to live. These 66 books are divided into two sections: the Old Testament and the New Testament. Let’s play a fun game to learn which books of the Bible are in the Old Testament and New Testament!”

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Take the books of the Bible cards out of the deck to use during the activity. Set the remaining cards aside.
- Instruct kids to stand in a single file line in front of you.
- Explain you will show the first person in line a flash card and they must say if it’s the book is in the Old Testament or New Testament. Kids are allowed to use their Bibles to find the answer.
- If the kid answers correctly, they can move to the back of the line and it is the next kid’s turn. If they answer incorrectly, they’re out.

### WHAT’S THE ORDER?

**WHAT YOU NEED:** *Books of the Bible* flash cards (1 set)

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Take the books of the Bible cards out of the deck to use during the activity. Set the remaining cards aside.
- Place the flash cards on the floor with the name of the books of the Bible facing up.
- Instruct kids to work together to sort the cards in order from the first book of the Bible to the last book of the Bible.
- When they’re done, check to see if it’s correct. Use the Table of Contents in a Bible if needed. Have them correct any mistakes.

### BEFORE AND AFTER

**WHAT YOU NEED:** *Books of the Bible* flash cards (1 set)

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Take the books of the Bible cards out of the deck to use during the activity. Set the remaining cards aside.
- Mix up the cards. Give each kid four cards and place the rest in a stack face down.
- Explain they will try to get three books of the Bible in order. When it’s their turn, they will discard one card and draw one from the stack, or they can offer to trade with another player who has the card they want.
- When a kid has three books of the Bible in order, they’ll lay their cards down face up.
- Continue to play with the remaining cards until all of the books of the Bible are in order.



WEEK OF  
AUGUST 24, 2019



1ST - 5TH  
GRADE

## MOTION LESSON PLAN



### SERIES OVERVIEW

How did Jesus define church? Does going to church really matter? Is it worth sticking with for the rest of my life? We’ll help kids answer these important questions in *Big Church*!

### MAIN POINT

Week 1: Do you think church is important?  
Week 2: What are ways to serve the Church?  
Week 3: Where are good places to gather with friends and family?  
**WEEK 4: WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH?**

### BIBLE FOCUS

Week 1: 1 Corinthians 3:16-17, Matthew 18:20  
Week 2: Galatians 6:10, 1 Peter 4:10  
Week 3: 1 Corinthians 12:26-27  
**WEEK 4: JAMES 1:26, MATTHEW 5:13-16**

### QUARTERLY DISMISSAL FOCUS

#### BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

Over the next four months, Clubhouse kids will learn about the books of the Bible during dismissal. Encourage your eGroup to participate in the Books of the Bible Challenge! Each kid who can recite all 66 books of the Bible in the correct order, by November 24 will earn an additional **5,000 points!**

## BIBLE CONNECT (10 MIN)

**BIBLE CONNECT** helps kids make connections to the Bible by reading, studying, and talking about the Bible story.

### CRACK THE CODE

**WHAT YOU NEED:** code cards (2), poster boards (2), markers

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Divide your eGroup into two teams.
- Give each team one code sheet, one poster board, and one marker.
- Explain each team will work together to crack the code to find out which Bible verse they're going to read. Once they crack the code, they'll find the verse in the Bible, read it together, and write it down on their poster.
- After both teams have written the verse down, instruct them to:
  - Circle one or two words/phrases in the verse that they don't understand or have questions about.
  - Write down one thing they want to remember about the verse.
  - Write down one way they're going to be the Church this week.
- When both teams finish, allow them to share what they learned and ask any questions.
- Answer questions and go over any words or phrases they circled.

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "As Christians, we can say Bible verses that we've memorized, but if we aren't acting out what those verses teach us, it's worthless. We shouldn't just GO to church; God calls us to BE the church. That means our words AND actions should reflect God all the time."

**CODE CARD ANSWER KEY:**

- Code Card #1: James 1:26
- Code Card #2: Matthew 5:13-16

## YOU CONNECT (CONT.)

**YOU CONNECT** helps kids make connections with the main point and their lives.

6. You aren't just the future of the Church — you have an important part to play right now! What can you do to be the Church to other people? How can you show others God's love?
7. What is one way your life points others to God?
8. Who is someone in your life that doesn't go to Church? How can you share your beliefs with them? How can you invite them to Church?

**SUGGESTED PRAYER:**

*"Dear God, thank You for allowing us to be part of Your Church. Please help us to point others to You in everything we say and do. We want to show everyone how much You love them. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen."*

## YOU CONNECT (10 MIN)

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### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

**WHAT YOU NEED:** none

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

1. James 1:26 says, "Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight reign on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless." What do you think it means to keep a tight reign on your tongue?
2. When is it easy to control your tongue? When is it hard?
3. How can the words you say affect other people?
4. When you're part of the Church, people will look at your life and know that you follow God by what you say and do. What do people see when they look at your life? Do your words point others to God?
5. Matthew 5:16 says, "In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." What does it mean to "let your light shine?"

## BIBLE CONNECT (5 MIN)

**BIBLE CONNECT** helps kids make connections to the Bible by learning and practicing the memory verse together.

### SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

**WHAT YOU NEED:** activity slips (set of 5), bag

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "Our memory verse reminds us we're part of God's Church and we all have an important part to play! Let's play a fun game to help us learn and memorize the verse. We're going to split up into three teams. Your team will choose a slip of paper with instructions for an activity you'll do together that will help you practice the memory verse."

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Divide your eGroup into three teams.
- Allow one kid from each team to close their eyes and pick one of the activity slips from the bag.
- Encourage each team to work together to complete the task on the activity slip.
- When they're done, allow each team to share what was on their activity slip with the eGroup.