

Crafts

Supplies

Have on hand a generous supply of art materials, including crayons, markers, glue, tape, and scissors.

Day 1: Laugh! God chooses surprising people (1 Samuel 16)

- * Sturdy plastic plates (two for each child)
- * Streamers
- * Decorations including stickers, foam stickers, markers
- * Beans, colorful pom-poms, and small colorful beads
- * Hot glue gun (or regular glue—for attaching streamers to plates)
- * Hot glue sticks

Day 2: Clap! God wins the battle (1 Samuel 17).

- * 2 paint stirrer sticks per child
- * Acrylic paint
- * Paintbrushes
- * Tablecloths

Day 3: Sing! God is our faithful friend (1 Samuel 20).

- * Pipe cleaners (two for each child)
- * Jingle bells of various sizes.
- * Scissors (one pair for each teacher)
- * Small blank circle stickers (optional)

Day 4: Shout! God is with us (2 Samuel 6).

- * Small brown paper bags (one for each child)
- * Small 8" dowels (one for each child)
- * Dried Beans
- * Markers or Paint
- * Paintbrushes
- * Colored yarn

Day 5: Give Thanks! God shows his kindness (2 Samuel 9)

- * Large craft sticks (or tongue depressors; two per child)
- * Strips of paper (two per child) that are the same width and length as the tongue depressor/craft stick.
- * Wide rubber bands (like those used to bind vegetables; three per child)
- * Crayons and stickers (optional)

DAY 1: LAUGH!

God chooses surprising people



MAIN POINT: Laugh! God chooses surprising people!

SCRIPTURE THEME FOR TODAY: 'But the LORD said to Samuel, 'Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.' (1 Samuel 16:7)

PSALM MEMORY FOR TODAY: "Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.' (Psalm 126:2–3)

SCRIPTURE MEMORY FOR THE WEEK: "Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs." (Psalm 100:1–2)

LESSON AIM: Today, we are learning how we respond to God with laughter and joy, because he chooses surprising people.

BEAN AND BEAD TAMBOURINE

Here's what you'll need...

- * Sturdy plastic plates (two for each child)
- * Streamers
- * Decorations including stickers, foam stickers, markers
- * Beans, colorful pom-poms, and small colorful beads
- * Hot glue gun
- * Hot glue sticks

Here's how you make it...

1. Before class, staple together two clear plastic plates for each child. Staple around the edges, and be sure to leave a hole at the top.
2. Children should fill their plate tambourines with beans, beads, and colored pom-poms.
3. Then, each child should decorate the outside of their plates with stickers and streamers.
4. Encourage the kids to use their bean tambourine during music time.

