Youtube Link for Teachers: <u>https://youtu.be/uf2iFYRaUEg</u>

Children's Bible Story Video: <u>https://youtu.be/\_zTirEPOxV4</u>

Worship Theme: God speaks to us through the Bible.

**Memory Verse:** "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." (Psalm 119:105)

Songs (Youtube links):

- 1. One Two I Will Follow Jesus https://youtu.be/32BRXvDba4w
- 2. We have eyes to read the bible https://youtu.be/tkkzkjEjDnA
- 3. In Your Time https://youtu.be/uOmu3Qm5pr0

# Pray

**Song:** Select songs from the list above.

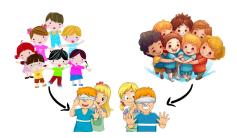
#### Icebreaker: "Obstacle Course"

Materials Needed: Chairs, tables, kroma, water jug, rocks

- 1. Divide the children into 2 groups.
- 2. Each group will select one child and blindfold them with kroma.



3. Make an obstacle course using the materials prepared.



4. Ask the blindfolded child to walk across the classroom and return to the starting point without stepping on the obstacles. The team that finishes the obstacle course first wins the game.

5. After the game explain to the children that it is hard not to walk around the obstacle courses when you can't see or have someone help you. In the same way, it is hard to live this life without guidance from God.

#### Introduction:

Have you ever had to try something new without anyone helping you? Could you have learned how to ride a bicycle without anyone's help? Could you have learned to swim without anyone's help? In life, there are many things that we cannot do without help from other people. But the true help that we need is help from God. Today, we will learn about how God helps us by guiding us every day!

# **Bible Story:**

In the Bible story today, God's people had forgotten all about worshipping the one true God. They worshipped idols they made out of wood and stone and metal. Then a new king came into power who was only 8 years old! His name was Josiah, and he loved God. Josiah had all of the people destroy all of the idols they had built. He also had people repair and clean the temple of God which was full of idols.

Then some of Josiah's workers found the Bible in the temple. No one had read the Bible for many years. No one could remember what the Bible said. Josiah was excited to learn about God in the Bible. He gathered everyone in Judah and read the bible to everyone.

He was a king, so he could have ordered someone else to read it, but Josiah wanted to read the Bible to his people. When Josiah read what was in it, he promised to always follow God and the people did the same thing. Even though he was a king, Josiah knew that he could not live without the guidance of God that's found in the Bible. He understood the importance of reading the Bible and obeying its teachings. He knew that God speaks to him through the Bible.

When people stopped reading the Bible, they started worshiping idols. They did not have good guidance for their lives, so many people made many wrong choices. Josiah was a very young king. He was only 8 years old, but he loved God and wanted to make choices that would make God happy.

Do you want God to guide you and help you make good decisions in life? Then you should study the Bible like Josiah. The Bible is like a map that helps us to go in the direction God wants us to go! God speaks to us through the Bible!

# **Questions to discuss:**

- 1. What is the name of the king who destroyed all the idols from Judah? (Josiah)
- 2. How old was he when he became a king? (8 years old)
- 3. What did he find while repairing and cleaning the temple? (the Bible)
- 4. Why was he excited to find the Bible? (He knew it was the word of God)
- 5. Why should we read the Bible? (God speaks to us through the Bible; it is like a map that shows us the direction God wants us to go)

# Game: "Obstacle Course with a Partner"

Materials Needed: Chairs, tables, kroma, water jug, rocks

- 1. Divide the children into 2 groups.
- 2. Each group will select one child and blindfold them with kroma.
- 3. Make an obstacle course using the materials prepared.
- 4. Ask the blindfolded child to walk across the classroom and return to the starting point without stepping on the obstacles. But this time, they will have a partner to help guide them. The team that finishes the obstacle course first wins the game.

5. After the game explain to the children that it is so much easier to play this game when you have someone guiding you. God is always guiding us through the Bible. Let us commit to reading and studying the Bible every day!

# Memory Verse:

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." (Psalm 119:105)

# Craft: "God's Word Guides Us"

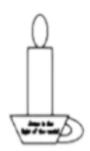
Materials Needed: Print craft sheet, crayon, scissors, glue

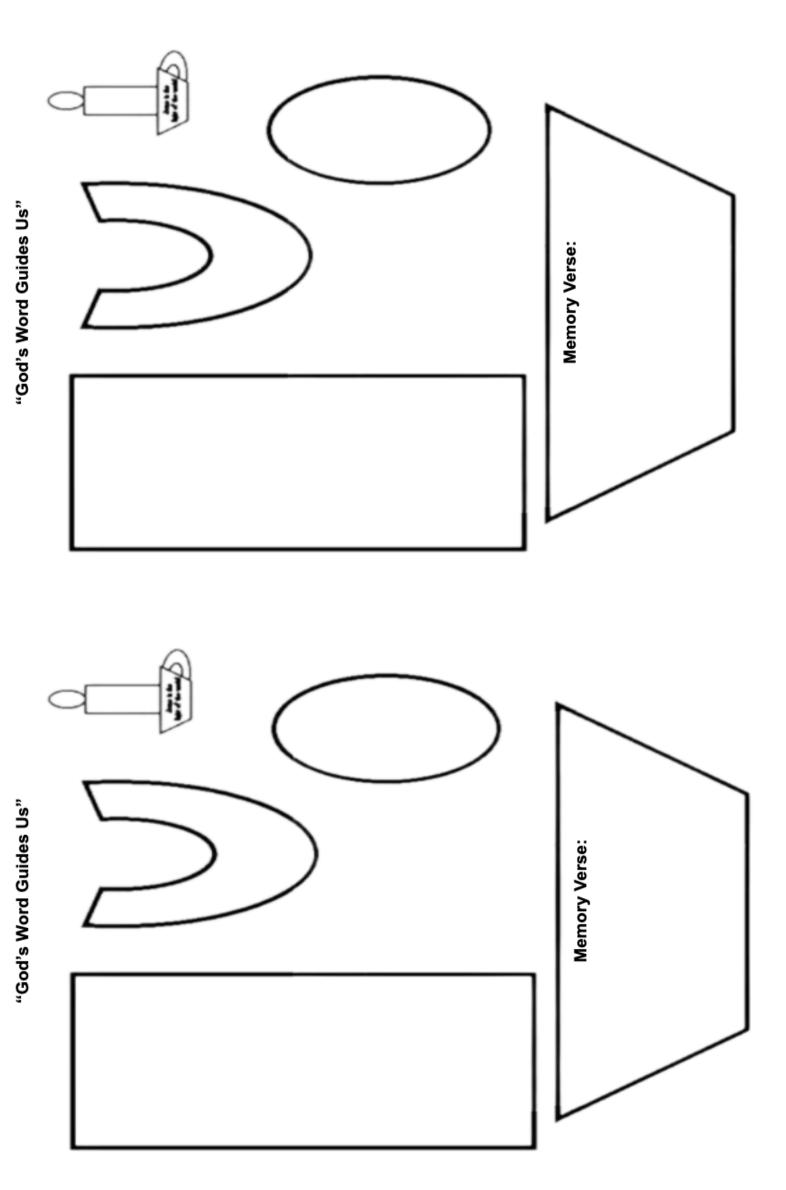
- 1. Write the memory verse on the candle stand.
- 2. Color and decorate the candle.
- 3. Cut out everything and glue it to make it into a candle on a stand.
- 4. Read the memory verse together.

Song: Select songs from the list above

# Pray

**Teacher's Devotion (Please read before you get ready to teach the students.)** Where would we be without Jesus? He is the Word made flesh, and he helps us live lives that honor God's laws. Bible reading and prayer are central to our growth and development as Christians. Consider this: How's your devotional life? What's good about it, and what needs to change? God has so much he wants to reveal to you. No matter what you have going today, be sure to take some time to open God's Word and listen to God's voice.





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