

MEETING 12

HOW DO WE STUDY THE BIBLE?

WE STUDY THE BIBLE TO LEARN ABOUT GOD AND JESUS. JESUS TAUGHT THAT ALL THE SCRIPTURES POINT TO HIM.

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IN THE GOSPEL OF LUKE, JESUS ENCOUNTERED A FEW DISCIPLES AFTER HE HAD ALREADY RISEN FROM THE GRAVE. HE ENCOURAGED THEM TO LOOK INTO THE SCRIPTURES AND SEE WHO HE WAS—SEE THAT GOD HAD FULFILLED HIS PROMISES. WE CAN ALL DO THE SAME THING BY STUDYING GOD'S WORD.

BIBLE VERSE

Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. *James 1:22*

BONUS VERSE

Honor your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. *Exodus 20:12*

BIBLE STORY

The Emmaus Disciples (Luke 24:13-35)

BIBLE TRUTH

We study the Bible through regularly and prayerfully reading passages to help us know God more and follow His commands. Jesus taught that all the Scriptures point to Him.

LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

- Younger Kids: God helps me obey what is written in the Bible.
- Middle Kids: God wants me to honor Him by choosing to do what is right and reject what is wrong.
- Preteens: God expects people to remain pure in all aspects of life with their bodies, thoughts, attitudes, actions, and speech.

BIBLE SKILL

Begins to know some of the books of the Bible in order and pronounces names of some Bible books.

PARENT CONNECTION

Lead parents deeper into the Bible story and life application by sharing this meeting's Parent Connection (Item 35).

MEETING 12 GAME

BALLOON BOUNCE

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| PROVIDE: | TO DO: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Balloons | <input type="checkbox"/> Inflate three to four balloons. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Towels | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Timer | |

To play:

Form groups of three or four. Each group will attempt this game one at a time while the rest of the room watches and cheers them on. Each of the four players on each a team should hold one corner of a towel with just one hand so that the towel is stretched tightly. Place two or three balloons on top of the towel, and start a timer for 25 seconds. The team should shake the towel while attempting to keep the balloons bouncing on the towel for the entire amount of time. Each team to maintain the 25 seconds without any balloons hitting the floor is declared a winner.

Debrief:

Ask: "How hard was it to keep the balloons from dropping to the ground? Would it have been easier if there had just been one balloon?" Explain to TeamKIDS that if each balloon represented one thing in the Bible for Christians to remember, it might be easier to balance. But what if the towel had gotten bigger? You see, our knowledge of God's Word can grow and grow, making it easier to balance all of the truths we learn in the Bible. This is why studying the Bible is so important! The more we study, the better we understand how everything in Scripture points to Jesus.



MEETING 12 GAME

LINK-'EM-UP TAG

TO DO:

- ☐ Create space in the TeamKID area for players to run around or lead players to another area where they can run.

To play:

Designate one volunteer as *It*. At your cue, *It* will try to tag someone while all other players try to keep their distance. The first player tagged must link elbows with *It* and work with *It* to tag another player. Every tagged player adds to the human chain. Only the players on each end of the chain can tag others. Play until every player has been tagged.

Debrief:

Help TeamKIDs understand that sometimes we try to run away from God by ignoring His call to read and study His Word. Yet even though we like to run away, God wants us all to be connected to Him. He calls us to come back to Him through the Holy Spirit, through His church, through the Bible, and through prayer. Studying the Bible can help us reconnect with God.

