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STELLAR
SHINE JESUS' LIGHT



**JUNE
10-14**

**9 AM
12:30 PM**

"I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. WHOEVER
FOLLOWS ME WILL NEVER WALK IN DARKNESS,
BUT WILL HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE."

JOHN 8:12

VISION

We are thrilled to have you join us for this year's VBS, Stellar, Shine Jesus' Light! It's going to be an amazing week!

The word stellar describes something that's the very, very best! Stellar things are amazing! The word stellar is where we get our word star! Something stellar shines better and brighter than everything else. This year, we'll explore how Jesus shines and how we can be stellar like him!

VBS is a week of beautiful Possibilities! Our primary goal is to introduce children to the love of God through the word of God, displayed by Jesus, the Son of God. We pray this Introduction will lead children into a lifelong relationship with Him as their Lord and Savior.

You are crucial in creating engaging experiences for the children. Your interactions with them are a conduit of HIS love. So be purposeful, make great memories, have fun, and genuinely get to know them. Your presence is invaluable, and we pray that God will minister to you in an amazing way this week! We hope you'll love like Jesus and shine HIS light in everything you do!

"... let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

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SCHEDULE

CREW LEADERS 1-15

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
8:15-8:30	FELLOWSHIP	SOPO PATIO
8:30-8:45	TEAM TIME	SANCTUARY
8:45-9:25	CHECK-IN	SANCTUARY
9:00-9:25	OPENING CEREMONY	SANCTUARY
5 MINUTES TRANSITION		
9:30-10:05	BIBLE APPLICATION	SANCTUARY
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10:10-10:45	CRAFT	HUB
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CREW LEADERS 46-60

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DAILY THEME

MONDAY FUN FACTOR: PICTURE DAY

Bible Story: God the Creator (Gn 1, 3) Jesus Comes as a baby to be King (Mt 1:18-2:12, Lk 2:1-20)

Stellar Element: Star

Shout out: Leaders - "When Life Feels Dark..." Kids - "Shine Jesus' Light!"

TUESDAY FUN FACTOR: THEME DAY

Bible Story: Jesus accepts Zacchaeus (Lk 19:1-9)

Stellar Element: Constellations

Shout out: Leaders - "When People don't get along..." Kids - "Shine Jesus' light!"

WEDNESDAY FUN FACTOR: WACKY HAIR DAY

Bible Story: Jesus enters Jerusalem as a King (Lk 19:28-40)

Stellar Element: Rockets

Shout out: Leaders - "When good things happen..." Kids - "Shine Jesus' light!"

THURSDAY FUN FACTOR: SUNGLASSES DAY

Bible Story: Jesus' Crucifixion, Burial, and Resurrection - Jesus Cares for his mother (Jn 19-20)

Space Element: Black Holes

Shout out: Leaders - "When people are sad..." Kids - "Shine Jesus' light!"

FRIDAY FUN FACTOR: SLIP N' SLIDE

Bible Story: Philip helps the Ethiopian (Ac 8:26-39)

Space Element: Gravity

Shout out: Leaders - "When people need help..." Kids - "Shine Jesus' light!"

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MONDAY

Bible Story:

- God The Creator (Genesis 1 and 3)
- Jesus Comes as a baby to be King (Luke 2:1-20; Matthew 1:18-2:12)

Shout Out:

When life feels dark, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Verse:

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Space Element: Stars

Bible Insights God The Creator

- God, holy, omnipotent(all knowing), omnipresent(everywhere), created everything by speaking it into existence. He has always existed (Father, Son & Spirit) and needs nothing, but created us in His image to worship him and glorify Him forever.

Bible Insights Jesus Comes as a baby to be King

- Mary and Joseph lived in a dark time for God's people. Jews suffered under Roman rule. Herod—a "client king" chosen by Roman leaders—governed with cruelty. Fearing conspiracy, he had two wives, three sons, and his mother-in-law executed!
- Jesus' parents traveled about 80 miles from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Walking the rugged terrain would likely have taken about five days.
 - Scholars don't agree on the exact identity of the Magi. Perhaps these men belonged to a priestly tribe from Mede. Maybe they came from Babylon, representing a group of elders who studied everything from science to medicine. Regardless, their expertise in studying the heavens put them in a position to see a unique star—with divine meaning!
 - Culturally, shepherds held little esteem. Their low status included the reputation of being coarse, ceremonially unclean, and even dangerous. Yet God chose this unlikely audience to be the first to hear of
 - Jesus' birth. (*And they became the first missionaries as they spread the joyful news!*)

MONDAY DEVOTIONAL

WHY IT MATTERS TODAY

As people who love kids, we want their lives to be filled with peace and joy. We hope childhood overflows with bright moments of happiness. Yet the truth is that life can feel dark for children. Loneliness and bullying are realities. Recent research shows that about 12.5 million children live in poverty. Even kids with stable homes hear (or see) discouraging news stories. Like sponges, kids absorb anxiety felt by parents and caregivers.

Amid this darkness, there's hope! Isaiah prophesied, "For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine." (Isaiah 9:2) Jesus, the light of the world, offers the promise of peace and joy. Today celebrate the light that shines... and can't be extinguished! (John 1:5) Encourage kids to illuminate our dark world with the same hope that Jesus offers.

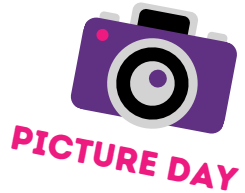


MONDAY, JUNE 10

WHEN LIFE FEELS DARK... SHINE JESUS' LIGHT!

Bible Story: God the Creator (Gn 1, 3) Jesus Comes as a baby to be King (Mt 1:18-2:12, Lk 2:1-20)

OCC MISSION ITEMS: SCHOOL SUPPLIES



IMAGINATION STATION (CRAFT/HANDS-ON) - HUB

Stellar Element: Stars **Craft:** Clay Stars

Hands-On: Starlight - Jars, foil, flashlights

ASTROID BELT (RECREATION) - GREENBELT

Activity: Wet Sponge or Water Squirters

SATELLITE SNACK - SOPO

Snack: Taquitos & Fruit Snacks

Activity: Picture Day & Get to Know You & Yes/No

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LAUNCHPAD (BIBLE APPLICATION) - SANCTUARY

Activity: Star Beanbag toss

Each group will have 2 buckets, one green and one blue. Each group will have 4 star bean bags. The game's objective is to answer a review question and have the opportunity to "toss a star". If students do not know the answer, they can ask for support. The buckets will be arranged so that one bucket (green) is closer to the students' tossing and the blue bucket is farther away. Students can choose which bucket to throw the star into.

Activity: Star Beanbag Toss Questions

1. God created the heavens and the _____? (Earth)
2. How did God create everything?
 - a. He got supplies and started building.
 - b. He spoke, and everything came to exist.
 - c. He didn't.
3. Who did God create in His image? (humans)
4. When God created, He looked at His creation and said it was?
 - a. Good
 - b. Bad
 - c. Crazy
5. God is three persons in one being, true or false? (true)
6. What separates us from God? (sin)
7. Why did Jesus come as a baby? (To save us from our sins by dying on the cross and bringing us back to God the Father)
8. Is God perfect? (yes)
9. Was Jesus FULLY God and FULLY man? (yes)
10. How can we know what God says is true? (Because He gave us His Word—the Bible—and reveals Himself through His creation and by sending His Son Jesus to die for us).
11. Jesus was born in Bethlehem, true or false? (true)
12. Who did the angels tell when Jesus was born? (shepherds)

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." JN 8:12

LAUNCHPAD (BIBLE APPLICATION)

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

YOUNGER KIDS

God Created the World

1. Did someone create God? (No! God has always existed; He is eternal)
2. What is your favorite part of creation and why? (allow multiple responses)

God Created People

1. What does it mean to be created in God's image? (We are like God in ways that the rest of creation is not—God gives us the ability to think, feel emotions, and know right from wrong)

Sin Entered the World

1. Why did Adam and Eve have to leave the garden? (Because they sinned by disobeying God's command to not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. After eating the forbidden fruit, Adam and Eve knew what evil was and felt shame. God punished them by sending them out of the garden. Sin entered the world and changed everything.)

Jesus is Born

1. Why was Jesus not an ordinary baby? (He is the Son of God, fully God and fully man. He came to the earth from heaven to die for our sins and bring us back to God)

OLDER KIDS

God Created the World

1. What does creation reveal about the Creator? (allow multiple responses)
2. All of God's creations had something in common. Did you notice what it was? (God said that everything He created was good; see Genesis 1;4, 10, 12,18,20,24 and have a volunteer read if no student can find the pattern)
3. In what ways are people like our Creator? In what ways are we different from Him? (God gave each of us skills, intelligence, and knowledge to create and bring beauty into the world through things like art and music. We can use all the abilities God gave us to worship and praise Him! We are different from God in a lot of ways—God is holy, which means perfect and set apart. We as humans sin—God cannot sin. God created everything and does not depend on anyone/anything for life or purpose.)

CONT.

LAUNCHPAD (BIBLE APPLICATION)

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

OLDER KIDS

God Created People

1. How did God show Adam and Eve that He loved them? How does God show He loves us? (God gave them a beautiful garden to live in and gave them everything they needed. God shows His love for us by providing for our needs. God provided for our ultimate need of a savior by sending His Son Jesus to die for our sins)
2. How can you have a closer relationship with your Creator? (allow multiple responses)
3. How should God's creation of people in His image affect how you treat others? (God created every man and woman in His image. God wants us to treat others with love, dignity, and respect).

Sin Entered the World

1. Can we hide from God? Why do you think people try hiding from God? (We cannot hide from God; God knows and sees all. When God asked Adam where they were in the garden, it wasn't because He didn't know; it was God giving him an opportunity to confess his sin.)
2. Does sin always have consequences? Explain. (We may not see the consequences of sin immediately, but it always has consequences. The biggest consequence of sin is that it separates us from God.)

Jesus is Born

1. Why is Jesus' birth good news? (The bible tells us that all people have sinned and need a savior. Our sin is serious before a holy, perfect God. Jesus' birth is good news because we can never be good enough to cleanse ourselves of sin, but Jesus can. Jesus came to live a perfect life for us and die on the cross for our sins. Jesus never sinned but loved us so much that he was willing to be the perfect sacrifice for our sins.)
2. How does Jesus show us what God is like? (Jesus' birth shows us that God was willing to humble Himself, that He is generous to give His only Son, that He keeps His promises, and that He loves us. Remind kids that Jesus is God In flesh and that He came to rescue sinners)
3. Option: Choose a volunteer to read John 1:18

TUESDAY

Bible Story:

Jesus accepts Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-9)

Shout out:

When people don't get along, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Verse:

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Space Element: Constellations

Bible Insights

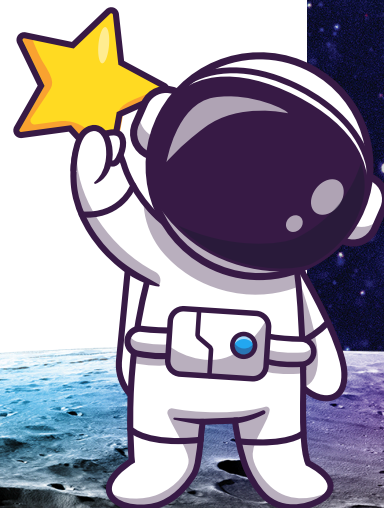
- Zacchaeus' role reminded God's people of the dark oppression they faced. Jesus—an astounding teacher and leader—provided a ray of hope!
- The Roman government employed Jews like Zacchaeus to collect its overwhelming, heavy taxes. People paid taxes on everything from land to property, as well as customs on imports and exports. That's why many Jews viewed tax collectors as Jewish traitors who served the hated Romans.
- Tax collectors gathered a higher tax than required, pocketing the difference for themselves. Since Zacchaeus was the chief tax collector—a high position with many officials under him—he became rich from the over taxation of his people.
 - Many wealthy priests called the fertile city of Jericho home. In addition, its situation on a border would yield rich customs duties for local tax collectors.
 - Welcoming a popular rabbi into his home for a meal would've been a huge honor for Zacchaeus. However,
 - Jesus said he needed to *stay* at Zacchaeus' home! Scholars suggest that Jesus still had 17 miles on his trek to Jerusalem. He'd need an overnight stay in Jericho before departing.
 - The name *Zacchaeus* means "pure one." Interesting, in light of the salvation he received through Jesus (Luke 19:9).

TUESDAY DEVOTIONAL

WHY IT MATTERS TODAY

Conflict between kids begins young! Toddlers and pre-schoolers squabble over toys. Kindergarten classmates disagree on what to play. Elementary kids argue about who got the biggest piece, who sits where, and who got there first! Middle schoolers divide with cliques and criticism. And when kids aren't feuding among themselves, they're witnessing how poorly adults manage disagreements.

Conflict pulls us apart in deeply destructive ways. God calls us to unity, treating others with compassion, kindness, and grace. Use today's experiences to help kids explore how they can be bridge-builders, shining Jesus' love and restoration in the middle of discord.



TUESDAY, JUNE 11

WHEN PEOPLE DON'T GET ALONG... SHINE JESUS' LIGHT!

Bible Story: Jesus accepts Zacchaeus (Lk 19:1-9)

OCC MISSION ITEMS: WOW ITEMS

IMAGINATION STATION (CRAFT/HANDS-ON) - HUB

Stellar Element: Constellations **Take Home:** Galaxy Gazer & Flashlight

Hands-On: Movement in space - pans, milk, food coloring, q-tips & soap

ASTROID BELT (RECREATION) - GREENBELT

Activity: Dunk Tanks or Dodge Ball

SATELLITE SNACK - SOPO

Snack: Corn Dogs & Otter Pops

Activity:

- Name Review
- If Jesus Came to Dinner
 - Talk about what they would do if Jesus came to dinner. What would you have to eat? What would you have for dessert? Which game would play? What favorite object would you want to show him in your room? Which video game would you want to play with Him? What questions would you ask him?
- Prayer Requests



LAUNCHPAD (BIBLE APPLICATION) - SANCTUARY

Activity: Saturn's Hula Hooping

Kids hula hoop while saying the verse (John 8:12)

YOUNGER KIDS

Jesus Accepts Zacchaeus

1. What questions do you have about today's story? (allow multiple responses)

OLDER KIDS

1. Why didn't people like Zacchaeus? (allow multiple responses)

2. What did Jesus say about Zacchaeus? (allow multiple responses)

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." JN 8:12

WEDNESDAY

Bible Story:

Jesus enters Jerusalem as a King. (Luke 19:28-40)

Shout out:

When good things happen, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Verse:

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Space Element: Rockets

Bible Insights

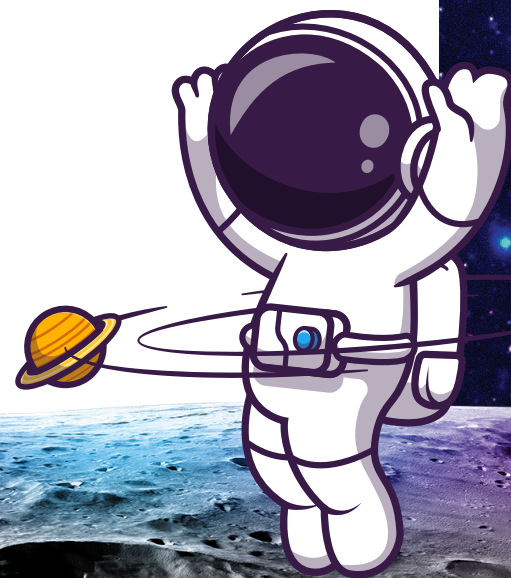
- Living for centuries under the rule of a foreign king must have felt like a long, endless, dark path for God's people. Light began to dawn
- as they started recognizing how Jesus fulfilled God's promises—although not in the way most people envisioned!
- Hundreds of years before Jesus' birth, the prophet Zechariah proclaimed this message to God's people: "Look, your king is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet he is humble, riding on a donkey—riding on a donkey's colt" (Zechariah 9:9).
- The joyful cheers, "Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in highest heaven!" (Luke 19:38) had deep meaning for Jews shouting them. These words are from Psalm 118 and are part of the Hallel, which they sang at Passover.
- During the Maccabean Revolt (167–160 B.C.), a priest named Judas Maccabeus led forces to defeat the Seleucid army and reclaim Jerusalem. In celebration, the people waved palm branches and cheered as he entered Jerusalem. It's likely that those praising Jesus in Luke 19 recalled this key celebration, hailing Jesus as their coming, conquering king.
- This is the first occurrence of Jesus openly encouraging his title of Messiah.

WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONAL

WHY IT MATTERS TODAY

Kids love to celebrate! When something joyful happens, kids don't hesitate to cheer, shout, dance, and clap. But they may forget to celebrate life's smaller blessings: clean water, cozy naps, fun friendships, or soft stuffed animals. For most children, the day is filled with good things... and each one of those is a gift from God! So what if we guided kids to give their praises a purpose? What if we helped kids develop the habit of shining a spotlight on Jesus when things go well?

As friends of Jesus, kids can point to Jesus as the giver of everyday blessings. Today help cultivate grateful heart's that shine Jesus' light by shining a light on Jesus!



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

WHEN GOOD THINGS HAPPEN... SHINE JESUS' LIGHT!

Bible Story: Jesus enters Jerusalem as a King (Lk 19:28-40)

OCC MISSION ITEMS: TOYS

IMAGINATION STATION (CRAFT/HANDS-ON) -

Stellar Element: Rockets **Take Home:** Mini Rocket

Hands-On: Rocket Blast Off



WACKY HAIR
DAY

ASTROID BELT (RECREATION) - GREENBELT

Activity: Rocket Sprinklers

SATELLITE SNACK - SOPO

Snack: Chicken Nuggets & Rice Krispies

Activity:

- Name Review - See who can name the entire team.
- Would You Rather Questions
- Prayer Requests & Praises

LAUNCHPAD (BIBLE APPLICATION) - SANCTUARY

Activity: Pass the Moon

Description: Kids will sit in a circle and pass the stress-ball moon behind their backs to one another. One child will sit in the middle as the students pass the rock. Once the leader says stop, the child in the middle of the circle has to guess who is holding the moon. The child whose chosen has to say the verse (John 8:12 or the shout-out for that day). If they have the rock, they switch with the child in the middle; if they do not have the rock, the child in the middle guesses again or switches at the leader's discretion.

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SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Jesus Enters Jerusalem as king

YOUNGER KIDS

1. What does the word 'hosanna' mean? Why do we need to be saved? (Hosanna means 'save now.' The people in today's story wanted Jesus to save them immediately from the Romans, but Jesus came to start a different kingdom, a heavenly kingdom. All people need to be saved because we're all sinners. We cannot save ourselves. We can never be perfect enough—God loves us and sent His son Jesus to die for our sins. Remind kids that only Jesus lived a perfect life.)

OLDER KIDS

1. How is Jesus a different king than people expected? (Jesus did not come as a king who overthrew the government or esteem Himself as a place of power. Explain how Jesus is humble and made Himself lowly. Jesus came as a king who would give His life to save people from sin. Remind kids that Jesus' kingdom is different from our world because the humble will be exalted)
2. Why is Jesus worthy of our praise? (Jesus is the promised Messiah, the perfect prophet, and the king over everything. Tell kids he lived a perfect life and died on the cross in our place. Explain that only Jesus can save, and He is worthy of all our praise!)
3. How can we be ready to welcome Jesus when He returns? (While we don't know when Jesus will return, we can welcome Jesus by being ready through hearts that trust in and obey Him)

THURSDAY

Bible Story:

Jesus cares for his mother during His crucifixion (John 19-20)

Shout out:

When people are sad, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Verse:

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Space Element: Black Holes

Bible Insight

- Jesus repeatedly spoke words of comfort and kindness from the cross. He forgave his captors (Luke 23:34), welcomed a thief (Luke 23:43), and gave his mother into John's care (John 19:26-27). His words from the cross offered a glimmer of light in an otherwise dismal and dark day.
- In Luke 2:34-35, Simeon held the infant Jesus and spoke a prophecy and blessing to Jesus' parents. Ending his message, he turned to Mary and said, "And a sword will pierce your very soul." Perhaps his words foreshadowed Mary's heartbreaking grief at the cross.
- Romans used crucifixion to send a grisly message of their power and authority. While Jesus succumbed to death on a cross, ultimately he displayed his uncontested power—even over death!
- Joseph of Arimathea could have been excommunicated from the synagogue for his support of Jesus. Instead, he boldly gave Jesus a burial fit for a king. Royal burials used large amounts of myrrh and aloes. Joseph and Nicodemus used a whopping 75 pounds of the mixture as they tenderly prepared Jesus for burial.

THURSDAY DEVOTIONAL

WHY IT MATTERS TODAY

Thankfully, most kids won't witness anything as heart-wrenching as Jesus' death. Though they'll likely experience the sadness of a pet dying, a loved one moving away, or parents divorcing. Sorrow is part of our broken world. And when others are sad, kids can feel powerless to help. In the presence of hurting hearts, a child might retreat or even use sarcasm to deal with the awkwardness.

Today you can empower kids with the remedy that brings comfort to broken hearts—Jesus! Through Jesus, kids can offer transforming peace that helps when life hurts. Guide kids to practice shining Jesus' comforting love when others are sad.



THURSDAY, JUNE 13

WHEN LIFE FEELS DARK... SHINE JESUS' LIGHT!

Bible Story: Jesus' Crucifixion, Burial, and Resurrection - Jesus Cares for his mother (Jn 19-20)

OCC MISSION ITEMS: PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

IMAGINATION STATION (CRAFT/HANDS-ON) - HUB

Stellar Element: Black Holes **Take Home:** Space Case

Hands-On: Vacuum Egg in a bottle

ASTROID BELT (RECREATION) - GREENBELT

Activity: Sponge Ball Games



SATELLITE SNACK - SOPO

Snack: Pizza Bites & Popcorn

Activity: Reflect the Son!

- Use Bible Posters to tell the Gospel.
- Reflect the Son
 - Each group will get a CD. Demonstrate how it reflects the sun. Allow kids to try. Once we've accepted Jesus into our lives - He lives in us, we can reflect Him to the world with our words and actions.
 - Allow children to share how they reflect Jesus.
- Prayer Requests

LAUNCHPAD (BIBLE APPLICATION) - SANCTUARY

Activity: Gospel Bracelet/Bookmark Discussion

The group leader will use the salvation bracelet and corresponding bookmark to talk through HIStory with the students. This material will match and/or complement the material that will be reviewed in a snack.

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SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Jesus Death, Burial , Resurrection & Care for His Mother

YOUNGER KIDS

Jesus' Death

1. How does Jesus' death show us that God loves us? (Remind kids that the blood of Jesus washes away our sins forever. Tell kids that when we trust Jesus by faith, He takes away our sins.)

Jesus' Burial & Resurrection

1. Why was Mary crying when she went to the tomb? (She was sad and thought that someone stole Jesus' body. But no one stole His body, He rose from the dead, just like He said He would!)
2. Was Jesus a ghost when Mary saw Him? Why not? ((Jesus rose from the dead physically. Remind the kids that Jesus showed Himself to Thomas because Thomas was doubting. John 20:26-27 "A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" 27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.")

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SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Jesus Death, Burial , Resurrection & Care for His Mother

OLDER KIDS

Jesus' Death

1. How does Jesus' death show us that God loves us? (Ever since sin came into the world, God promised to send a Savior to rescue us from sin. Tell kids that God was faithful to that promise and that He sent Jesus. Explain that God showed His love for us because while we were still sinners, Jesus died for us. Through believing and placing our faith in Jesus, we receive forgiveness of sins and do not face the death that sin leads to.)
2. How can I trust Jesus as my Savior? (The bible tells us that when we confess our sins and accept Jesus as Lord and believe that God raised Him from the dead we will be saved)

Jesus' Burial & Resurrection

1. Since Jesus was raised from the dead, is He a ghost? Why not? (Jesus rose from the dead physically. Remind the kids that Jesus showed Himself to Thomas because Thomas was doubting. John 20:26-27 "A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" 27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.")
2. Who needs to be saved? (Everyone has sinned; therefore, everyone needs a Savior —there is only 1 savior; Jesus Christ. God made a way for us to be saved through His Son Jesus. We cannot earn salvation, but it is a free gift to anyone who believes in Jesus)
3. Why is it important Jesus rose from the dead? (Because Jesus rose from the dead, He conquered sin and death so we can have victory over sin and death as well. Jesus' death was perfect payment for sin and His resurrection allows us to have eternal life with Him.)

FRIDAY

Bible Story:

Philip helps the Ethiopian (Acts 8:26-39)

Shout out:

When people need help, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Verse:

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Space Element: Gravity**Bible Insight**

- While the Ethiopian had wealth and power, he walked in darkness without understanding God's Word. God provided Philip to shine a light—one that changed the Ethiopian's life for eternity!
- Philip is often called Philip the Evangelist, to differentiate him from the Apostle Philip (John 1:43). Acts 6 tells of seven men (including Philip) chosen as deacons who would lead the early church.
- • The official didn't come from modern-day Ethiopia. The ancient Nubian kingdom could be found near the Nile, closer to where we would find Sudan today.
- Jewish law prohibited a eunuch from entering the temple (Deuteronomy 23:1). When the Ethiopian went to worship in Jerusalem, he'd only be able to stand in the outer courts.
- The scroll read by the Ethiopian would have been an expensive investment. Considering that and his lengthy trip to Jerusalem, it's evident that the eunuch had more than a passing curiosity about God.

FRIDAY DEVOTIONAL

WHY IT MATTERS TODAY

Kids may feel like they're usually the ones who need help. They know what it's like to wrestle with challenging homework, struggle with tangled shoelaces, or stretch for an item on an impossibly high shelf. We don't often look to children when we're in need. Yet kids can help in important, meaningful ways! They have comforting words, unique perspectives, energetic hands and feet, and ready smiles!

What an empowering message:

Through Jesus, kids can shine a light and be a helper when someone else is in need! Use today's activities to launch kids into a life of making a big impact to the world around them.



FRIDAY, JUNE 14

WHEN PEOPLE NEED HELP... SHINE JESUS' LIGHT!

Bible Story: Philip helps the Ethiopian (Ac 8:26-39)

OCC MISSION ITEMS: ACCESSORIES

IMAGINATION STATION (CRAFT/HANDS-ON) - HUB

Stellar Element: Gravity **Take Home:** Anti-Gravity Astronaut & Star w/group pics

Hands-On: Gravity

ASTROID BELT (RECREATION) - GREENBELT

Slip n' Slide Day

SATELLITE SNACK - SOPO

Snack: Hot Dogs & Cheese Balls

Activity:

- Yes/ No Stand-Up Game
- Quick to Obey/Simon Says
- Prayer Requests & Praises



LAUNCHPAD (BIBLE APPLICATION) - SANCTUARY

Activity: Share about Jesus

Philip followed Jesus' instructions and found the Ethiopian man. Give each child a star cut out. Have each kid write on their star how they can share the light of Jesus with someone they know. Encourage them to think about family members, friends, or neighbors that don't know Jesus.

YOUNGER KIDS

Philip and the Ethiopian Man

1. Who can you go to when you need help understanding God's Word? (allow multiple responses)

OLDER KIDS

1. How can we understand the Bible more? (allow multiple responses)
2. How can we know the holy spirit is leading us? (Discuss how following the Holy Spirit is a choice, just as Philip had a choice to obey. Remind kids that the Holy Spirit always leads us according to the truth of God's Word, so knowing God's Word helps us see how the Spirit is leading us. Encourage kids to be in prayer to God, asking Him to help them listen to the Spirit's leading.

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FUN SPACE WORDS

QUASAR

KWAY-ZAAR

A product of energy and light that is produced by an active feeding black hole at the center of a galaxy. The gases cause a massive burst of energy in the form of light.

GAMMA RAY

Electromagnetic, high energy, waves of light and energy that whizz through the universe causing Gamma Ray Bursts.

NEBULA

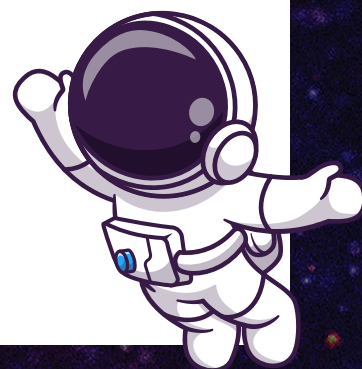
A cloud of dust, Hydrogen, Helium and other gases in interstellar space are often referred to as 'Stellar Nurseries.'

BLACK HOLE

An area where gravity has become so strong because a lot of stuff has been squished into a very tiny space. This happens when a big star, much larger than our sun, runs out of fuel, collapses, and leaves behind a space trap that can catch anything that gets too close.

EVENT HORIZON

A boundary around a black hole. Think of it as the edge of the whirlpool. Once you cross this line, there's no swimming back. Everything, stars, gas, even light, gets pulled in.



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CHILD AND SERVANT COUNT

ELEMENTARY PROGRAM: 540

PRE-K PROGRAM: 52

SERVANTS/
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VBS CAMPUS TOTAL: 840

**PRAY FOR
THE WEEK!!**

