



Helping kids and families creatively experience God, understand the Bible, and live out kingdom principles in their daily lives.





# Kingdom Culture Kids



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## Testimonies from Kingdom Culture Kids participants

"Learning about Jesus is my new favorite class!" 5 year old



"I am so grateful that my son, Michael, chose to ask Jesus into his heart one night at Kingdom Culture Kids!"

Anisia, Mom



"I helped my dad."

4 year old after one lesson

When asked to explain, her mom shared that she had sung the lesson song on prayer, "When I pray, big things happen, so how can I pray for you?" to each of her grandparents and her father. She then added on her own, "I really mean it" and prayed for each of them, out loud, on the spot. Her dad had been stuck on a project for work for an entire week and had asked artificial intelligence 75 ways to find a solution. After prayer from his daughter that day, he shared with her at bedtime that he figured out the solution! Two weeks later her mom shared with us, "I was having lunch with my daughter and she said to me, 'Mom, remember, when I pray, big things happen. So I want to know, how can I pray for you?"



"KCK was so fun to lead in a group setting. Using all of the different activations and repetitions of scripture really helped the kids remember what God said. There's so much freedom in this curriculum and I'm excited to see what God does with it through the Earth."

Terry, Group Facilitator



"Can I still come, even if my grandkids don't?" Linda, Grandma

## Welcome to Kingdom Culture Kids!

Kingdom Culture Kids is about kids experiencing God, the Bible, and living out kingdom principles in their everyday lives. It works for kids and the kid in each of us!

This material is BEST done with adults and kids together. That means that, as the adult, you get to experience, enjoy, and grow from these lessons just as much as your child does! Set aside family time as a special date with your child or children, gather kids from the neighborhood, or use this for your church or Sunday school.

These lessons are FUN! Each lesson title is a Biblical principle that is put into a short song and sung again and again during the lesson. Incorporating movement, declarations, acting, hand motions, imagination, creativity, and constant group participation, these lessons get the truths of God's word into our hearts, minds, and bodies. Whoever facilitates the lesson can pick the lesson song tune and rhythm or use one our team has done.

This book has six weeks of material. Do one lesson each week for 40-60 minutes (depending on the attention span of your child or group) and then live it out each day during the week. After you've done it once, we encourage you to go through the material again and have the kids who've done it before help model it for new children. Consider adding a 7th week to share testimonies of what happened when the kids prayed for people after week six, review all the lesson songs, and have the kids share what their favorite parts were.

## Each lesson has these CORE components.

### **Connection**

- Check In Kids connect to the previous lesson and one another and can do an optional icebreaker.
- **Pray** Kids repeat after the facilitator to learn how to pray.

#### Lesson

- **Sing It!** A lesson topic that is sung <u>again and again</u> throughout the lesson, with hand motions.
- Say It! A Bible verse to be memorized with actions.
- **See It!** A Bible story that demonstrates the lesson. Kids will help act this out and then imagine themselves personally in the story.
- Let's Move! A fun time to let the kids help lead actions while singing the lesson song.
- Do It! Lesson application activities.

## **Application**

- Live It! Kids make the concept part of their lives daily during the week by:
  - Singing the lesson song.
  - Saying the Bible verse with actions.
  - Using a specific simple way to apply the lesson each day.
- Review the lesson, pray, and repeatedly SING THE LESSON SONG.
- Optional Parent Handout A page after every lesson that can be copied and sent home.

It may seem like a lot but these lessons are designed to MOVE so each section only needs to be about five minutes or less.

## Six Lesson Overview

Theme	1. Identity	2. Salvation	3. Personal/Inner Health
Sing It!	God is good, and He's good to me!	I give my life to Jesus. Now He lives inside my heart. I am His forever and ever!	I give Jesus hurtful things, and He gives me joyful things. So I am forgiving!
Say It!	"Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; Happy is the person who trusts in Him!" - Psalm 34:8	"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine (feast) with him, and he with Me." - Revelation 3:20	"Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." - Matthew 11:28
See It!	Prodigal Son	Zacchaeus	Joseph
Do lt!	Draw a picture of what God looks like to you as a good God.	Invite Jesus into the home of your heart.	Give Jesus something hurtful & receive something good. Forgive by tearing up & drawing on paper.
Live It!	Be thankful for one thing each day	Do one good thing with Jesus each day	Give Jesus hurtful things and get joyful things each day. Bonus - forgive & do something nice for two or more people.

Theme	4. Bible	5. Hearing God's Voice	6. Prayer
Sing It!	I listen, look, live, and pray the Bible every day.	God talks to me. I hear Him and do what He say.	When I pray, big things happen, so how can I pray for you?
Say It!	"The word of God is living and powerful" - Hebrews 4:12a	"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, they follow Me." - John 10:27	"Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." - Mark 11:24
See It!	Creation, Jesus, Disciples	Garden of Eden	Healing
Do It!	Listen, look, live, & pray a Bible passage.	Draw you and God walking in the garden of Eden and listen to what He says.	Practice praying out loud and pray for real.
Live It!	Do listen, look, live, & pray for one or more verses each day.	Ask God what He wants to speak to you each day and do what He shows you	Sing the song to three or more people and then pray for them this week.

Kingdom Culture Kids Lesson Elements  Every lesson will have these elements in this order		
Elements		
Lesson Title	The Biblical principle that will also be the song.	
Check In	How did it go singing it out, saying what the Bible said and living out what we learned last week?	
Pray	Have the kids repeat after you in short phrases so they learn to pray.	
Sing It!	Sing the new lesson title. Kids can repeat after you until they learn it enough to all sing it together.	
Say It!	Say the verse of the week. Memorize the verse and the verse address using motions and actions. Sing the lesson title and choose the actions you will repeat every time.	
See It!	Share a Bible story and act it out together. Close your eyes and imagine yourself in the story.	
Let's Move!	Sing the lesson song and let the kids help lead movements or dances.	
Do It!	Do the lesson activity. Share about what you just did.	
Live It	Say, "This is how I SING it out" and have kids repeat after you. Instruct the kids to sing the lesson song at least once a day, every day this week. Sing the song.	
	Say, "This is what the Bible says" and have the kids repeat after you. Instruct the kids to say the Bible verse with the actions at least once a day, every day this week. Do the verse & actions together.	
	Say, "This is how I LIVE it out" and have kids repeat after you. Instruct the kids the specific way they will live out this lesson every day this week. Say together how they will live it out.	
Review	Review the song, what the Bible says verse, and the live it out instructions.	
Pray	Have the kids repeat after you a short ending prayer.	
Sing	Sing the lesson song one last time.	

1. God is good, and He's good to me!		
Elements	Lesson 1 Overview	
Lesson Title	God is good, and He's good to me!	
Check In	For this first lesson do an icebreaker to connect with the kids. "What is your favorite food?"	
Pray	Have the kids repeat after you so they learn to pray out loud. Thank God, invite the Holy Spirit, and ask God to help you experience His goodness.	
Sing It!	Sing: "God is good, and He's good to me!" at least four times with the kids repeating it with you. Whatever tune you choose, do the same tune each time.	
Say It!	Say: "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; Happy is the person who trusts in Him!" - Psalm 34:8  Memorize the verse using actions that represent the words in the verse. Say the verse with actions at least 4 times.  Sing: "God is good, and He's good to me!" and add actions that fit the words.	
See It!	Share the story of The Prodigal Son, based on Luke 15:11-32 and do some actions through the story or act it out together. Have everyone imagine themselves in the story and explore some of their feelings like love, anger, mistakes, shame, forgiveness, redemption and joy.	
Let's Move!	Sing: "God is good, and He's good to me!" and let the kids help lead movements that everyone else does. Make sure everyone is moving.	

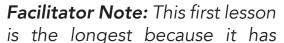
God is good, and He's good to me!		
Elements	Lesson 1 Overview Continued	
Do lt!	Make God's love personal by drawing a picture (on paper or using other resources) about how God is good and loves you each personally.  Have kids share what they drew and what that means to them.  The facilitator will help them to keep on the topic, without pressuring them into a right or wrong answer, but encouraging all of them to participate.	
Live It!	Say, "This is how I <b>SING</b> it out" and have the kids repeat with you four or more times. Instruct the kids to sing the lesson song at least once a day, every day this week. Sing <b>"God is good, and He's good to me!"</b> using actions.	
	Say, "This is what the <b>BIBLE</b> says" and have the kids repeat with you four or more times. Instruct the kids to say the Bible verse with the actions at least once a day, every day this week. Do the verse & actions together.	
	Say, "This is how I <b>LIVE</b> it out" and have the kids repeat with you four or more times. Say, "I am thankful everyday" and have the kids repeat after/with you four or more times. Instruct the kids to be thankful for one or more things each day this week.	
Review	Sing the song and say the Bible verse and live it out instructions one last time	
Pray	Have the kids repeat after you a short ending prayer.	
Sing	Sing: "God is good, and He's good to me!" using actions.	

God is good, and He's good to me!



## Lesson 1

Based on "God is Good" Lesson in Kingdom Culture



more notes throughout it to help you learn how to do each section. As you facilitate, this lesson is designed to be fun, active, and move! Do each lesson element in about five minutes or less and plan to complete this lesson in 40-60 minutes depending on the age and attention span of your group.



#### Check In

Do an icebreaker to help the kids feel comfortable interacting. This can be fun and should also be brief. It demonstrates that you value each child and want to be in their world just like God values us and wants to be in our world.

• In future weeks if you have new children you can do an optional short ice breaker.

Go around and each say your name and what your favorite food is and why you like that food.

- Talking about food connects with our verse about tasting God's goodness.
- If you want you can have each person say how old they are (if you ask the kids to do it then be ready to have the adults say how old they are too.)

In future weeks the Check In time will be a review of what the kids did from the previous week's lesson.



## **Pray**

- Have the kids repeat after you so they learn to pray.
- They can keep their eyes open.
- Break up the phrases into short enough parts that the kids can repeat.
- If you want, you can encourage them to be loud or see if the boys or the girls can be louder.
- This encourages prayer in a non religious or non formal way and shows how we can simply talk to God.
  - "Thank You God
  - That You are good!
  - Thank You God
  - That You are good to me!
  - Holy Spirit, come.
  - Help me experience
  - All the good things
  - That You have
  - For me today!
  - o Amen"



## Sing It!



## Sing: "God is good, and He's good to me!"

- Sing the lesson phrase and have the kids sing it with you.
- Whatever tune/rhythm you pick, do the same one each time.
- Have kids start clapping or moving as they sing.
- Add actions to the song and do them together (or add actions the next time you sing the song). Choose actions that represent the words so it's easier to memorize.
- Repeat the song at least four times now and then every chance you get throughout the lesson.



## Say It!

"Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; Happy is the person who trusts in Him!" - Psalm 34:8

**Note to facilitator** - this verse is based on the NKJV. However, we adjusted the word "blessed" to "happy" as that is one of the meanings of "blessed" and makes more sense to kids. We also adjusted "man" to "person" as this verse applies to all people. See this verse in the International Children's Bible.



#### Memorize It!

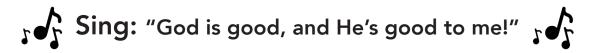
Say the verse together and then start doing actions for each part.

- Choose actions that represent the different parts or the verse.
  - The kids can help you make up the actions if you want.
  - Whatever actions you choose, do the same ones each time you say the verse.
- If the verse feels too long, just focus on memorizing the **bolded** part.
- For this verse,
  - o Do actions about tasting and seeing.
  - Memorize the verse address by making a "P" with your hands and then a 3, 4, and 8 before and after the verse.
- Say the verse with the actions at least four times.
- You can have different kids practice leading the verse with the actions.



### Talk About It!

 If there's time in your lesson you can ask kids what their favorite food is and talk about how amazing that food tastes.  Explain that just as amazing as that food tastes, we can experience God and all His goodness to us! We don't just look at a picture of food, we eat the food. God wants us to experience His goodness even more than we enjoy eating our most favorite food.



# See It!

The goal of this section is for each person to emotionally experience the story for themselves.

 As you read (with emotion) the bulleted points, you can add in things that are relatable to the kids - the goal is to really get to the heart of the story in a way that kids can relate to.

### Act out the story as you read it.

- You can choose a few simple actions for everyone to do together.
- Or have a few kids act it out for the rest of the group.
- Guide the kids through what to do at each part feel free to repeat lines as needed.
- You can let the kids help!
  - Let them come up with some of the actions on the spot.
  - Ask an older child to help read the story.
  - Or even have some kids prepare to act this out ahead of time.
- Keep the story moving to hold the kids' attention.

#### Story: The Prodigal Son, Luke 15:11-32

There once was a son who went to his dad and said,

# Welcome to Kingdom Culture Kids!

Grow with your child in lifelong skills that build connection, emotional and spiritual health, and bring the culture of heaven into everyday life.

#### Would you love for your child to:



- Know God and experience His love?
- Understand the Bible—not just memorize it—but apply it to real life?
- Practice daily kingdom habits that bless them for a lifetime?

#### Do you want that for yourself too?

Inspired by the Kingdom Culture training—used in over 20 countries with ages 10 and up—Kingdom Culture Kids brings the same life-giving principles to children ages 4 and up in a fun, interactive format for families and ministries.



**Each lesson is built around a short, catchy song** and packed with movement, imagination, declarations, and group participation—getting God's truth into hearts, minds, and bodies. No props needed.

Perfect for home, church, or anywhere in between. From living rooms to villages, Kingdom Culture Kids helps families live and grow in the culture of heaven—together.



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