

# Tell

## God Story

Jesus Heals a Man  
Controlled by Demons  
*Luke 8:26-39*

### Big Idea

We can share God's love by telling others what he has done.

### Key Verses

...[God] is the Father who gives tender love. All comfort comes from him. He comforts us in all our troubles. Now we can comfort others when they are in trouble.  
*2 Corinthians 1:3-4*

### Leader Tip:

Prepare for the activities before the kids arrive, so you can lead with confidence and enthusiasm! Remember to pray for your group, too.

## My Story

- 1. Conversation Starter** **2 MINUTES**  
Talk to the kids about sharing exciting news. Introduce the Big Idea.
- 2. Intro Activity** **5 MINUTES**  
Play an active version of Broken Telephone that highlights "Jesus Is Lord and he loves you!"

## God Story | Life Story

- 3. Weekly Video** **12 MINUTES**  
Watch the video, which includes host, God Story, Key Verse and Life Story segments. Recap and discuss the teaching together.

## My Story

- 4. Small Group Activity** **12 MINUTES \***  
Review what the kids have learned in this series about Jesus, his character and the jobs he gives us.
- 5. Wrap-Up Activity** **8 MINUTES**  
Create a prayer wall and discuss who the kids can share God's love with by telling them about Jesus.

## Our Story

- 6. Dismissal**  
Connect with parents and give them the take-home materials.

\* Extend as needed and adjust timing for other activities

# My Story

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## 1. Conversation Starter

**Supplies**

- None

**Instructions**

- As the kids arrive, gather everyone in a group.
- Ask:
  - Have you ever been so excited about something that you couldn't wait to tell a friend about it? What happened?
  - If you knew about something amazing happening, who would you tell? Why?
- Depending on the size of your group, have the kids share their answers with the people sitting closest to them or with everyone.
- Introduce this week's Big Idea: **We can share God's love by telling others what he has done.**

## 2. Intro Activity

**Supplies**

- None

**Leader Tips**

- Divide into multiple circles if there are a lot of kids in your group.
- Remind everyone that their messages must be appropriate and kind.

**Instructions**

- Gather the kids to sit together in a large circle.
  - Whisper a silly phrase (e.g., "I like to play hockey without a stick or skates") to the person sitting to your right.
  - Direct them to stand up, run around the circle, sit back down, and whisper it to the next person.
  - Repeat until the message reaches the last person in the circle. That person will shout out what they heard.
  - Play more rounds as long as there is time and interest. The phrase for the final round should be: "Jesus is Lord and he loves you!"
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# God Story | Life Story

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## 3. Weekly Video **Instructions**

### Supplies

- Video file

- a. Play the video. It includes:
    - Host segment
    - God Story (Jesus Heals a Man Controlled by Demons | Luke 8:26-39)
    - Key Verses segment
    - Life Story (Paige explains what she does to share about Jesus, and how God helped her when she was alone in a new school and helped her make new friends.)
  - b. Discuss:
    - What were the Key Verses for this series? (2 Corinthians 1:3-4)
    - What was the Life Story about in today's video?
    - What was the God Story about?
    - How do you think these two stories and today's Big Idea (**We can share God's love by telling others what he has done**) connect?
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# My Story

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## 4. Small Group Activity

### Supplies

- Paper strips
- Markers
- Jesus activity page

### Leader Tips

- If kids have questions about demons, don't be afraid to take the time to discuss things. Highlight the truth that Jesus is more powerful than demons, and because of that, we don't need to be afraid.
- Help the kids with spelling as needed.
- If it will work well for your group, attach the kids' paper strips to the activity page and display it for parents to see later.

### Instructions

- Gather your small group to sit in a circle.
- Give each person five strips of paper and a marker.
- Place the activity page in the middle of the group.
- Explain that the kids should write an answer to each of the following questions (one answer/paper strip). Tell them to keep their answers private for now.
  - Who is Jesus?
  - What is he like?
  - What did he do for us?
  - What's different now because of Jesus?
  - Why do you love him?
- After everyone is done, read aloud each question one at a time, then say, "One, two, three, go!" and prompt the kids to hold up their answers.
- Read and discuss each of the kids' ideas.
- Direct them to place their papers around the Jesus activity page.
- To wrap up, ask if anyone has any other important things that they'd want to tell someone about Jesus. Write their ideas on any leftover paper strips.

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## 5. Wrap-Up Activity

### Supplies

- Craft paper
- Markers
- Wall-safe tape

### Leader Tip

- Model how to pray, then invite the kids to do it. Encourage them without placing pressure on anyone to pray out loud if they don't want to.

### Instructions

- Explain that your group is going to make a prayer wall together.
- Print "Who will you tell?" in large letters in the middle of the craft paper.
- Place markers around the paper.
- Discuss who the kids could share God's love with by telling them about Jesus.
- Encourage everyone to write the names of friends, family, and other people in their communities who don't know Jesus. Help with spelling as needed. The kids could also draw pictures of these people.
- When they're done, sit around the paper.



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- g. Invite the kids to take turns praying for the people named on the paper.
  - h. Chat about reasons why we might hesitate to tell someone about Jesus.
  - i. Pray for the kids and ask God to help them!
  - j. Hang the prayer-wall paper where parents will see it at pick-up time.
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# Our Story

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## 6. Dismissal

### Supplies

- Crafts
- Take-home cards
- Key Verse cards
- Key Verse colouring pages

### Leader Tip

- Organize the take-home materials so they're easy to access. It may be helpful to sort them before the lesson, then set out any crafts later. Consider having one leader focus on handing out everything.

### Instructions

- a. Greet parents as they arrive to pick up their kids. Take a moment to share a highlight or two from your time together today.
  - b. Give everyone a weekly take-home card.
  - c. Offer a Key Verses card and a colouring page to anyone who has not gotten them this month.
  - d. Remind the kids to take their crafts.
  - e. Make sure their security numbers match before they leave your group's space.
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