

BUZZ SUMMER 2020 Week 5

The Church Meets Opposition

Acts 4:1-31; 5:17-41

(Feel free to read out of a Children's Bible if you have one)

Bible Point: WE KNOW GOD HELPS OUR CHURCH IN HARD TIMES

Bold text is spoken text.

Buzz Bond

Assign each wall of the room one of these four questions:

- What was your favorite way to spend time at home last week?
- What is the best thing that happened to you last week?
- What is the most interesting thing you learned last week?
- What did you do with your friends last week?

Everyone will take turns spinning in a circle with their eyes closed. Whenever they stop, they will open their eyes and based on which wall they're facing, share their answer to the question.

God Sightings

To help kids look for God all the time, tell about a time this week you saw God at work in your life. Then encourage your kids to share stories of their own.

Bible Buzz

Word Smart: Tell It!

SAY: We're going to tell some hard-times stories. Let's think of some hard things that could happen to someone your age.

For example, maybe your sister borrowed your favorite toy and broke it. Or maybe you made a really good friend, and then he moved to the other side of the country. Your hard-times story can be true or pretend, and it can be as silly or as serious as you'd like. Can you think of a hard time that you have had?

Allow time for kids to share their hard-times stories.

ASK: What do you usually do when you go through hard times?

ASK: What did you learn from the Bible that can help you get through a hard time?

SAY: Everyone goes through hard times. Even churches go through hard times.

As we heard from the Bible today, the apostles in the early church went through some really hard times. But – WE KNOW GOD HELPS OUR CHURCH IN HARD TIMES.

Picture Smart: Create It!

Give each kid a piece of paper and markers

SAY: Let's write a song to praise God for helping us during hard times. You don't have to write music for your song – just write words that praise God.

If kids have trouble writing words, encourage them to use markers and create a drawing that will help them remember to praise God during hard times.

Allow kids a few minutes to work on their songs or drawings. Then ask kids to share the words they wrote or explain their drawings. Let kids sing their songs if they want to.

ASK: How will you remember to praise God during hard times in the future?

ASK: In what ways did you see an attitude of praise from the church in the Bible?

SAY: God helped the church during hard times when the high priest and his officials kept trying to arrest the apostles. When our church has problems, - WE KNOW GOD HELPS OUR CHURCH IN HARD TIMES.

Buzz in Action

Families can discuss this question: How can you share the important message that Jesus gave us with my family?

Let's Pray

Everyone can take turns finishing this prayer: Hey God, Help us to....