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OKC KIDS ONLINE EXPERIENCE AT HOME PARENT PACKET

WELCOME PARENTS!

We're excited to have you dive in and teach your kids some things that they have been learning this month in our Kids Ministry. For your convenience, this document is divided into two separate parts.

WHAT'S IN THIS PACKET?

- **A Safe Place to Land: A Way to Connect with Your Kids, All Ages**
- **A Guide For 2 Years Old's - Kindergarten:** go to pages 2-4
- **A Guide For Elementary (1st - 5th grade):** go to pages 5-7

OVERVIEW | A FEW THINGS TO KNOW

- There is a section at the top of both parts that talks about the Bible Story Focus, Memory Verse, Key Question, Bottom Line, and Basic Truth. These are ways for you to understand the themes for the month that your kids have already been learning.
- After that, there are instructions in a certain order that help you make the best out of the time with your kids. Just do the best you can and use this time to connect with your kids!
- There are additional resources and worship videos on our website if you are wanting to continue to have fun with your child after you are done with the packet!

I am so excited for this time for you and your child(ren) to grow as a family and learn things together. If you have any questions at all please text me (Hanna Nassar) at 813-310-7498 and I can help you figure it out!

2 YEARS OLD'S - KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM

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Bible Story Focus: Jesus is alive, and He wants to be our friend forever.

Breakfast on the Beach • *John 21:1-14*

Memory Verse: "I am alive for ever and ever!" Revelation 1:18, NIV

Key Question: Who is alive?

Bottom Line: Jesus is alive.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

1. STORY TIME

****play video, located on the website, Online Experience page, April 19th****

After the Story:

- Ask kids follow up questions about the day's story
- Ask kids what their favorite part of the story was

2. CRAFT - BLOOMING VERSES

What You Need: "Blooming Verse" Activity Page, cardstock, green construction paper, pencil, scissors, glue sticks, and yellow garage sale stickers

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Blooming Verse" onto cardstock. Cut a stem and a leaf from the green construction paper (or color a white piece of paper green for a stem and a leaf). You will need a stem and leaf for each child.

During the Activity: Give each child an Activity Page and a stem and leaf. Help the children glue the stem and leaf onto the page under the flower. Give each child some stickers, and encourage them to place the stickers in the circle in the middle of the flower (or color the middle yellow).

After the Activity: Say the Memory Verse with the children.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We are going to make a special flower with our Memory Verse inside!"

During the Activity: (Give each child an Activity Page.) "Our flower needs a stem! (Do activity.) Now we need to add the middle. (Continue activity.) Perfect! Our flower has our Memory Verse inside the petals. Let's say our Memory Verse together!" (Finish activity.)

After the Activity: "Awesome! Our Memory Verse tells us that **[Bottom Line] Jesus is alive! Who is alive? [Bottom Line] Jesus is alive!**"

3. PRAY

PARENT: "It's Small Group time. Today we are going to pretend to paddle a boat to our Small Group spot. Get your paddles ready and follow me!

(Pretend to paddle a boat as you lead the children to your Small Group spot.)

"That was some great paddling! Let's sit down and talk about today's Bible story. One, two, three, sit down with me!

(Open the Bible and lay it open in front of the children.)

"Our Bible story today was about some men who were in a boat fishing. Who did they see on the beach while they were in the boat fishing? *(Pause.)*

"Yes! They saw Jesus! And what did Jesus do for His friends when they hurried to see Him? *(Pause.)* Right again! Jesus made them breakfast on the beach. Jesus wanted His friends to see that He is alive and He wants to be their friend forever.

"We are learning a Bible verse that will help us remember that **[Bottom Line] Jesus is alive.**

"The verse says: *"I am alive for ever and ever!"* Revelation 1:18.

"That is Jesus talking! Jesus is saying: *"I am alive for ever and ever!"* Let's stand up and say that together with the motions."

CHILDREN and PARENT: *"I am alive (point both hands up) for ever and ever!" (Twirl around.)* Revelation 1:18." *(Open your hands like a book.) (Repeat the verse with motions a few times.)*

PARENT: "Fantastic!

(Give a fist bump to the children.)

"Now let's sit down so we can talk to God."

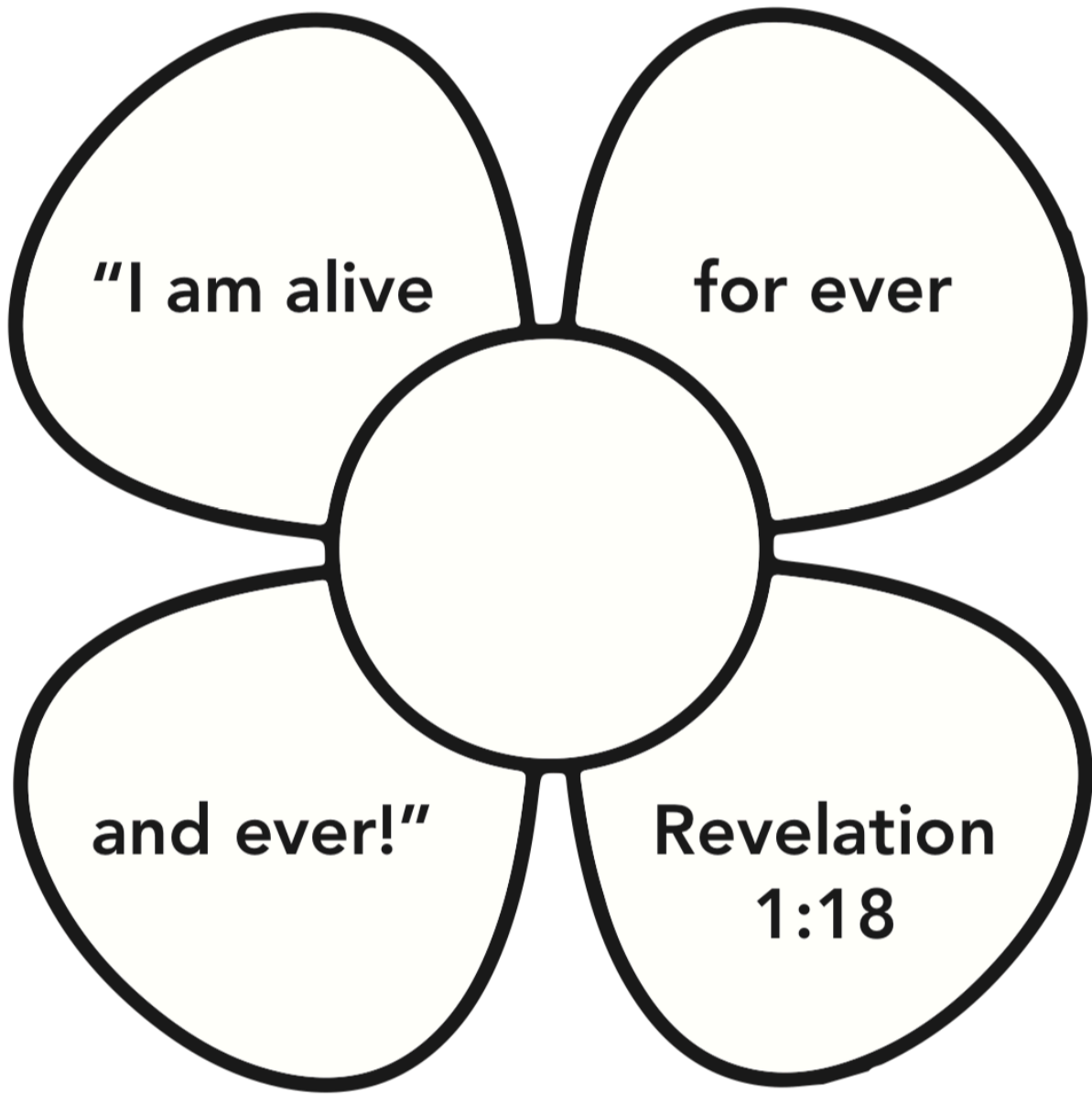
"The men in our story spent time with Jesus on the beach. Now that Jesus is always with us, we can spend time with Him anywhere. That's why I want us to make a list of some of our favorite places. When we pray, we can thank Jesus for being with us wherever we go.

"Look at all of these places! This is a great list! Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

(Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.)

Prayer

PARENT: "Dear God, we are so thankful **[Bottom Line] Jesus is alive** and we can be with Him everywhere we go. We can spend time with Jesus at *(read the list the children made)*. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."



"I am alive

for ever

and ever!"

**Revelation
1:18**

Lean on Me

Bible Story: Lean on Me (Servant Principle) • *Philippians 2:3-8*

Bottom Line: Put others first because Jesus put you first.

Memory Verse: *Don't do anything only to get ahead. Don't do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value others more than yourselves.* Philippians 2:3 (NIRV)

Life App: Humility—Putting others first by giving up what you think you deserve

Basic Truth: I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

1. PARENT CUE

Read the following passage to help you understand what your child will be learning about this month. Humility can be a hard thing for children to understand, so reading this might help you as you navigate teaching it to them!

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ELEMENTARY

HUMILITY WINS

By Mike Jeffries

Anyone who ever played for UCLA Basketball Coach John Wooden, one of the greatest coaches of all time, knew that he was more about building character than he was about winning basketball games—although he did both pretty well. His teams won ten championships during a 12-year period, the final one in his last year of coaching in 1975.

He was famous for his “pyramid of success,” fifteen different elements like “competitive greatness” and “teamwork.” But Wooden said one quality was more important than all the rest and made the rest possible: unselfish humility. Wooden would tell his players: “Talent is God-given. Be humble. Fame is man-given. Be grateful. Conceit is self-given. Be careful.”

Be humble. Be grateful. Be careful. Sounds like he had the balance between ego and humility down pretty well.

David Marcum and Steven Smith, in their book *Economics*, echo Wooden’s sentiment that unselfish humility is the foundational quality for every other step to success. In their book they state, “As a trait, humility is the point of equilibrium between too much ego and not enough.” It’s the proper tension between a discouragingly low self-esteem and exceedingly high self-confidence.

In a book written for the business world, they make a good point: “As an indispensable trait of great leadership,

humility must make its way past the pulpit of Sunday sermons and into the cubicles and boardrooms. Humility should be our first reflex.”

Of course, on our children’s playgrounds, humility looks a lot different than it does in a workplace, a church, or even a college basketball court. As we explore this idea of humility with our kids, we show them humility doesn’t mean getting stepped on or kicked around, or looking down on themselves. “Humility is not the equivalent of being weak, ignored, indifferent, boring, or a pushover,” according to the book. “Humility must include confidence, ambition, and willpower.”

That’s why we’ve chosen to define humility as “putting others first by giving up what you think you deserve.” That’s a scenario every kid can imagine. And it comes right out of the Bible: **Don’t do anything only to get ahead. Don’t do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value others more than yourselves.** (*Philippians 2:3, NIRV*).

Coach Wooden described it this way: “Don’t try to be better than someone else. Always try to be the best you can be.”

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2. MEMORY VERSE PRACTICE + BIBLE STORY

Have kids stand up and practice memory verse as a group (see how loud they can say it, how quietly, in an accent, etc)

What you say: "We are SO excited for our morning together. Before we get started, everybody stand up! We are going to practice this month's memory verse! I'm going to say it once first and then I want us all to say it a few times together!"

Don't do anything only to get ahead. Don't do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value others more than yourselves. Philippians 2:3 (NIRV)

******* PLAY BIBLE STORY VIDEO ON OUR WEBSITE ONLINE EXPERIENCE PAGE, APRIL 19TH*******

3. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read this week's story from the Bible: **Philippians 2:3-8**

- o What stands out to you from this week's reading?
- o What do you think God wants to teach us through these verses?
- o How can we apply some of these things to our own lives?

4. ACTIVITY - BE HUMBALL

What You Do:

- Start by asking if anyone can remember the book where we find this month's memory verse.
- Review by having kids look up and read Philippians 2:3 in a Bible.
- Go over the meaning of the verse by reminding kids that "selfish ambition" (NIV) or "getting ahead" (NIRV) means we only do things that WE want to do and we don't think about others.
 - oTell them that "vain conceit" (NIV) means thinking you're more important than others are.
 - oOr, if kids know the meaning of the phrases above, let them tell you what they know, in their own words!
- oLet kids choose a partner (be their partner if only one child)
- oGive each pair a ball.
- oAssign each partner half of the verse.
- oAsk kids (and/or adults) to line up in two lines, with partners facing each other a few feet apart.
- oThe person assigned to the first part of the verse says his half, bounces the ball to his partner, and takes a step back.
 - oThe partner who receives the ball repeats the process by saying her half of the verse, returning the ball, and taking a step back.
 - oSee how far apart partners can get before they drop the ball.
 - oSwitch partners and play again as time allows.
 - oFor an additional challenge, have partners see who can say their part of the verse the loudest, softest, lowest, highest, or fastest.

What You Say:

[Bottom Line] "Put others first because Jesus put you first. God wants us to think about others' needs and treat them the way Jesus did. The Bible teaches us about humility because God thinks it's important, and He wants us to be humble instead of proud and selfish. Jesus gave us His example to follow. He put God's plan first, which meant He did something wonderful for us. He died on the cross, rose from the dead, and is our Savior now and for always."

5. PRAYER

What You Need: Index cards, markers

What You Do:

- Point out that humility is upside down from the way most people live. God wants us to think of others and be willing to put them first. We need God's help to do that.
- Give each kid an index card and marker (or a cut up piece of paper and a pen).
- Ask everyone to write their name upside down on the index card.
- Exchange cards.
- Use the prayer prompts below to lead kids in prayer for the person whose name is on the card.
- Kids can switch cards with someone else after each prayer, or they can pray all the prayers for the same person.
 - Thank God for loving your friend so much that He gave him/her Jesus.
 - Ask God to help your friend watch for ways to put others first at home this week.
 - Pray for your friend to remember today's Bottom Line: **[Bottom Line] Put others first because Jesus put you first.**

What You Say:

"Dear God, it's not easy for any of us to put others first. Most of the time we're looking out for ourselves, doing what WE want, making sure we're okay. But You turned that way of thinking upside down and showed us what it looks like to think of others. Help us this week to follow Your example at home, with our families, and in every moment of life right now. In Jesus' name, amen."