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TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

NOTE: This version of the curriculum is designed especially for churches with fewer leaders and kids. You may want to use it if you have just one or two leaders and if you combine all your kids in both Large and Small Group time.

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Say Anything
No Secrets with God
1 John 1:9

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

Being truthful with God keeps you close to Him.

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

Anyone who lives without blame walks safely. But anyone who takes a crooked path will get caught. Proverbs 10:9, NIrV

MONTHLY LIFE APP

Integrity—Choosing to be truthful in whatever you say and do

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.

PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

See the **Getting Ready** pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you'll need for today.

In the **Prelude** folder of your curriculum, you'll find a variety of other resources to help you prepare.

SMALL GROUP



SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Early Arriver
Opening Activity

LARGE GROUP

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STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God

Welcome/Opener

Worship ("I Can Always Trust You" from Can't Stop Won't Stop and "Jesus, I Will Trust You" from This Love)

Bible Story Bottom Line

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Prayer

Closer

SMALL GROUP

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GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Bible Story Review: That's a Wrap Application Activity: Statues

Memory Verse Activity: Always, Sometimes, Never

Prayer Activity: Pray and Dismiss

HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

Parent Cue Card (print or email) GodTime devotional for kids Studio252.tv Parent Cue App

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PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

25 MINUTES

10 MINUTES

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LARGE GROUP

ENGAGE KIDS' HEARTS THROUGH A DYNAMIC AND INTERACTIVE BIBLE STORY, WORSHIP, AND PRAYER EXPERIENCE IN A LARGE GROUP SETTING.

AUDIO: PLAY HIGH-ENERGY MUSIC AS KIDS ENTER.

SLIDE: THEME

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME LOOP

Leader enters.

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): COUNTDOWN (30- OR 60-SECOND

VERSION)

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME

OPENER

LEADER: "Hey, everyone! I'm so glad to see you. This month at [name of your environment] we're finding out what it means to drop the act . . . and live with integrity.

SLIDE: LIFE APP

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME TRANSITION TO LIFE APP

"Integrity is choosing to be truthful in whatever you say and do.

SLIDE: THEME

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): LIFE APP TRANSITION TO THEME

"You don't need to pretend, or try to put on a show. You can choose to be the REAL you, wherever you are. You can follow God and live truthfully.

"Usually, I only tell you the truth here in [your environment's name], but today we're playing a game where I will tell a lie. You might have played it before. It's called 'Two Truths and a Lie.' We're playing it with a twist, though. I need a volunteer up here to be the team captain—and yes, you will all be one team.

Bring up one volunteer to be the captain.

"Each round, I will tell you all three statements. As a team, you need to decide which one you think is the lie. You'll have ten seconds to convince your captain up here which one it is. If you get it right, you all get a point. If you get it wrong, I get a point.



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PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

25 MINUTES 10 MINUTES

Pull out the stack of statements. Read them off in order (two truths and one lie per round). As you read each one, tape it to the front of the table.

After you've read all three statements, set a phone/watch timer for 10 seconds and encourage the kids to work together to come up with their answer. You might need to give them a few additional seconds—especially at the beginning.

Let the captain point to the group's chosen answer. Then reveal the truths and the lie. If there are any funny stories or explanations to go along with any of the statements, you can share those

Continue through the five rounds (or fewer, if you run out of time).

"That was tricky, I know—but you all did a great job guessing which of those statements were actually true about me. I'm going back now to ONLY telling the truth, though. And here's one thing that is definitely true: I love worshipping God with you. Up on your feet!"

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PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

10 MINUTES

WORSHIP

LEADER: [Basic Truth] "We can trust God no matter what. He is always good and always true! As David wrote in Psalm 28:7 (NIrV), 'The Lord gives me strength. He is like a shield that keeps me safe. My heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart jumps for joy. With my song I praise him.' Let's praise God and sing to Him, now.

AUDIO: "I CAN ALWAYS TRUST YOU" / TRACK 1 FROM CAN'T STOP WON'T STOP

"Yes! We can trust God, whatever comes our way! Before we continue in worship, check this out."

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): LIVE LOUD VIDEO FROM GET REEL 2.0

"Let's sing to Jesus and tell Him that we'll trust Him every step of the way!"

AUDIO: "JESUS, I WILL TRUST YOU" / TRACK 2 FROM THIS LOVE
OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): "JESUS, I WILL TRUST YOU" DANCE MOVES MUSIC VIDEO

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PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS

25 MINUTES

BIBLE STORY

SLIDE: THEME BACKGROUND

SETTING UP THE STORY

LEADER: "We were just playing a game earlier, when we did 'Two Truths and Lie.' But the truth is, all of us have probably told a lie at some point, haven't we? Unfortunately, we've all messed up in a lot of different ways.

Begin drawing the sad face emoji on the easel pad.

"You might say something mean to your friend or to your brother or sister. You might sneak an extra dessert when your dad says, 'No more.' You might lie about finishing your homework—or giving it your very best effort.

"It doesn't make us feel good when we mess up, does it?"

Stand back so they can see the sad face emoji. Then, tear it off and attach it to the wall (or other predetermined spot).

HIDING

LEADER: "And when we feel badly about what we've done, we often try to hide it.

Begin drawing the eye-masked emoji.

"We hide it like we're wearing a costume. We might do this by lying about what we've done: another lie on top of a lie. Or we might just not own up to it—like when our teacher asks who did something, and we don't tell her it was us. It's not TELLING a lie, but it's still not being honest.

"We hope no one will find out the truth . . . so we try to keep it hidden."

Stand back so they can see the eye-masked emoji. Then, tear it off and attach it to the wall (or other predetermined spot).

DISTRACTING

LEADER: "When we mess up, we also might try to make up for it by doing other things. GOOD things.

Begin drawing the celebrating emoji.

"Instead of telling the truth or owning our mistakes, we think that if we just do enough good things, we can make up for what we've done wrong. Maybe people won't notice—or won't care—if we just cover up the bad by doing some good.

"For example, you might feel badly about what you said to your sister . . . so you bring her a snack when she's watching TV. But you still haven't taken the time to say you're sorry. Or maybe you tell your friend how much you LOVE her new haircut . . . even though the truth is, you were just saying something unkind about her behind her back.



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25 MINUTES

"When we do those GOOD things, we hope that maybe we can distract our friends and family from the ways we've messed up."

Stand back so they can see the celebrating emoji. Then, tear it off and attach it to the wall (or other predetermined spot).

HONESTY

LEADER: "But there's a better way! You see, when we mess up, we don't have to try to hide (point to the eyemasked emoji) . . . or try to make up for it by doing other good things (point to the celebrating emoji). There's someone who we can ALWAYS talk to, no matter what—and He is ALWAYS there to listen.

"We don't have to be afraid to tell God what we've done wrong. We can be honest with Him. And we know for sure that we can feel safe telling Him the truth.

"Listen to these words from 1 John 1:9.

Open the Bible to 1 John 1:9 (NIrV) and read.

"God is faithful and fair. If we confess our sins, he will forgive our sins. He will forgive every wrong thing we have done. He will make us pure.

"Did you catch that?

"He will forgive every wrong thing we have done.

Begin drawing the heart eyes emoji.

"Wow! What great news. God isn't there to judge us and make us feel bad about what we've done. When you go to Him and tell Him that you're sorry, He's ALWAYS there to listen. He's there to give you a fresh start—and to help you make a different choice the next time. He LOVES you!"

Stand back so they can see the heart eyes emoji. Then, tear it off and attach it to the wall (or other predetermined spot).

WRAPPING UP THE STORY

LEADER: "Let's read that verse one more time.

Open the Bible to 1 John 1:9 (NIrV) and read.

"God is faithful and fair. If we confess our sins, he will forgive our sins. He will forgive every wrong thing we have done. He will make us pure.

"God wants to forgive us and make us pure or clean. So we don't have to be sad (point to the sad face emoji) or afraid (point to the eye-masked emoji) when we've messed up. We don't have to cover up what we've done with more lies or even with doing good things (point to the celebrating emoji).



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25 MINUTES

"We can be ourselves with God. He loves us! (Point to the heart eyes emoji.) We can go to Him, even we've done something wrong, and know that He will always forgive us. And that will make us WANT to do good things (point to the celebrating emoji)—not because we feel bad about ourselves, but because we know how much God loves us.

"We might still have to face the consequences of what we've done wrong, but we know that we never have to hide the truth from God. He knows the truth anyway . . . and He ALWAYS forgives.

SLIDE: BOTTOM LINE

"Being truthful with God keeps you close to Him.

"Let's thank God for His forgiveness and His love."

SLIDE: THEME BACKGROUND

PRAY

LEADER: "Dear God, we are so thankful for Your love for each of us. It's good to know that You will ALWAYS forgive us when we're honest and truthful with You. Help us come to You with the truth, no matter what, so that we can have a close relationship with You. Thank You for being a God who **[Basic Truth]** we can trust no matter what. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

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PRELUDE SOCIAL STORY WORSHIP GROUPS HOME

25 MINUTES

CLOSER

LEADER: "We can be close to God no matter what—and that's all because of Jesus! Jesus came to Earth and died on the cross to pay the price for everything we've ever done wrong . . . and everything we might do wrong in the future.

"That means we never have to worry about our sin getting between us and God. We can have a relationship with God and be close to Him because of Jesus. Even when we DO mess up, we can talk to God and know that He'll always be there to forgive us.

SLIDE: BOTTOM LINE

"Being truthful with God keeps you close to Him. Say that with me."

LEADER AND KIDS: "Being truthful with God keeps you close to Him."

LEADER: "So when you mess up, don't try to hide it. Talk to God. Tell Him you're sorry. Remember that He loves you, and He will ALWAYS forgive you.

"In fact, I've got these emoji stickers to remind you that God will always love you. Every time you see this sticker, remember to be honest with God because He'll love you, no matter what—and **being truthful with God keeps you close to Him!**

"You can grab a sticker on your way to Small Group. And that's no lie!"

Pass out the heart eyes emoji stickers as you dismiss kids to their small groups.

AUDIO: PLAY HIGH-ENERGY MUSIC AS THE KIDS EXIT.

SLIDE: THEME

OPTIONAL VIDEO (MEDIA PACKAGE): THEME LOOP

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GETTING READY

HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO GET READY FOR THIS WEEK

STORY: COMMUNICATING GOD'S TRUTH IN ENGAGING WAYS (25 MINUTES)

WORSHIP: INVITING PEOPLE TO RESPOND TO GOD (10 MINUTES)

In the Prelude folder of your curriculum, you'll find a general summary of Social Distancing Recommendations, as well as a monthly document detailing possible Large Group Social Distancing Adaptations. Please refer to these documents so you can plan your Large Group experience with health and safety in mind.

1. OPENER/CLOSER

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Leader
- Table
- Prop box containing:
 - Pre-printed or handwritten "Two Truths and a Lie" statements and Cheat Sheet (see "What You Do")
 - Tape
- Leader's phone
- Heart Eyes Emoji Stickers, printed from the Large Group Assets PDF onto Avery® two-inch circle labels, OR purchased from a site such as, https://amzn.to/3bC8JSr (see "What You Do")

MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS:

• Upbeat music to use as kids enter and exit the room

LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Theme Slide
- Life App Slide
- Theme Background Slide
- Bottom Line Slide
- Heart Eyes Emoji Stickers (printable)

OPTIONAL VIDEOS (AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE THROUGH THE 252 MEDIA PACKAGE):

- Theme Loop
- Countdown (30- or 60-second version)

- Theme
- Theme Transition to Life App
- Life App Transition to Theme

WHAT YOU DO:

- Download and print this week's tech sheet for everyone helping with Large Group.
- Download the slides or optional videos and have them ready to use. If you do not have screen capabilities, you have Orange's permission to enlarge and print the slides on paper.
- Download music from a resource such as iTunes® and have it ready to play.
- Optional: Download a countdown video from a royalty-free site. Load it into your presentation software and have it ready to play during the Opener. You could also keep time on a smartphone or watch. Note: Some presentation software such as ProPresenter® have a countdown clock built into the program that you can overlay on a still image.
- A 252 Media Package is available for purchase to go along with each curriculum tier. These graphic motion loops are included in the package. For more information, visit Store. Think Orange.com.
- If you're printing the hero and villain eye masks, print them on cardstock. Make sure one of the hero masks has some way of attaching it to the face (or the Leader can just hold it up). Optional: Put loops of tape on the back of each mask. These masks can be found in the file labeled "2010_LG_Assets_K5Starter W2."
- IMPORTANT NOTE: Save the hero and villain masks, as you'll use them again for the Week 4 Bible story.
- Create five sets of statements in the different categories. For each category, type up two true statements and one that is NOT true about you. If you (the person preparing the materials) are not also the Leader, then you'll need to ask the Leader to do this for him/herself. Print a list of all of the statements as a "Cheat Sheet."
 - Example categories: Places I've been to. Weird foods I've eaten. Facts about my family. Interesting jobs I've had. Weird talents/abilities I have.

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HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO GET READY FOR THIS WEEK

- Languages I can speak. Pets I've had. Favorite types of music. Cereals I like or dislike. Popular movies I've never seen.
- Note: You do not have to create your true and false statements within one category. Categories can be mixed up, if you desire.
- Need more ideas? See
 https://icebreakerideas.com/two-truths-and-a-lie/
- After you've written the statements, type or write out shorthand versions (one to three words each) and/or a drawing or photo that represents the statement. Put each short statement or image on a separate sheet of paper. For each round of the game, you'll have three sheets of paper—each with a different statement. Print or write out all 15 of these sheets. Clip the sets of three together, but be sure to mix up the order of the truths and the lie in each set.
- Place the masks, the tape, the pages of truth/lie statements, and the Cheat Sheet in the prop box.
 Place the box on the table on the stage.
- If you're making your own heart eyes emoji stickers, print them on the labels as described above. Make enough to have at least one for each kid. (Or you can print two for each kid and encourage them to share the Bible story and the sticker with a friend.)

2. WORSHIP

WHAT YOU NEED:

• Leader(s)

MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS:

- "I Can Always Trust You" from Can't Stop Won't Stop
- "Jesus, I Will Trust You" from This Love

OPTIONAL VIDEOS (AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE):

- Live Loud Video from Get Reel 2.0 (available through the 252 Media Package)
- "Jesus, I Will Trust You" Dance Moves Music Video (available through the 252 Media Package)

WHAT YOU DO:

• Download all songs and have them ready to use.

- Dance Moves Music Videos and Live Lyrics Videos are available for many Orange Kids Music songs. For more information, visit Store. Think Orange.com.
- A 252 Media Package is available for purchase to go along with each curriculum tier. The *Live Loud* faith skills video and the Dance Moves Music Video for the monthly worship song are included in the package. For more information, visit Store. Think Orange.com.

3. BIBLE STORY

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Leader
- Adult or older teen volunteer to draw the emojis (optional—see "What You Do")
- Bible
- Easel with a large easel pad of paper
- Thick black marker
- Yellow and red markers (optional)
- Tape, poster putty, or another way to attach the large sheets of paper on the wall

LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Theme Background Slide
- Bottom Line Slide
- Bible Story Emoji Examples

WHAT YOU DO:

- Download the slides and have them ready to use.
 If you do not have screen capabilities, you have
 Orange's permission to enlarge and print the slides on paper.
- Decide how you want to handle the artwork for the Bible story. Option 1: Pre-draw the emojis (or have someone else do it for you). Option 2: Pre-TRACE the emojis in light pencil, then just use the marker(s) to go over the drawing in real time. Option 3: Free-hand the emojis in real time (or have a volunteer do it while you tell the story). Prepare accordingly. You can also decide whether you want to do full-color emojis (with the yellow and red markers), or just the black outlines.
- Decide where and how you want to hang the sheets of paper as you tear them off the easel pad.

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VIDEO ENHANCEMENTS FOR YOUR ENVIRONMENT AVAILABLE FOR ADDITIONAL PURCHASE AT STORE.THINKORANGE.COM.

FEATURE PRESENTATION: Everything you need to pull off a dynamic weekly Large Group experience, including video Bible presentations to complement 252 Kids and 252 Preteen curriculum.

Our Large Group scripts are interchangeable with these videos so you can plug and play the way you need to each week.

For 252 Kids (kindergarten through 3rd grade):

- 252 Story brings you the Bible story in a simple and direct way through a professional Storyteller accompanied by engaging visuals.
- Also included: Intro and Outro videos with a character Host. The Intros set up the Bible story, while the Outros connect the story to the weekly Bottom Line. These videos are interchangeable with the live Opener and Closer, so you can use them to bookend either a live Storyteller or 252 Story.

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ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENT ENHANCEMENTS INCLUDING:

- Graphic motion loops
- Themed audio transitions
- Life App and monthly widget promo videos (M.C. Haggis)
- Countdown videos (30 and 60 seconds)
- Music videos for original songs that highlight each Life App
- Retro Reel video to play on your fifth Sunday