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**Life App:** Self-control—Choosing to do what you should even when you don't want to

**Basic Truth:** I can trust God no matter what.

## **Social: Setting the Tone for the Experience**

### **Early Arriver**

- Markers
- Paper

## **Bible: Communicating God's Truth in Engaging Ways**

- Bible Presentation in Large Group

## **Groups: Creating a Safe Place to Connect**

### **Move It**

- Bibles

## **Prayer**

- No supplies needed

## **Dismiss**

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## **Social: Providing Time for Fun Interaction (Small Groups, 15 minutes)**

Welcome kids and spend time engaging in conversation and catching up. Get ready to experience today's Bible Truth.

*Before kids arrive, take a few moments to pray for them. Ask God to help kids understand that their choices have consequences. Pray that they have courage to make good choices that can help to keep them safe.*

### **Early Arriver Idea**

**What You Need:** Paper, markers

### **What You Do:**

- Talk to kids about the three little pigs story:
  - Specifically, talk about how one built his house out of straw, one built his house out of sticks, and one built his house out of bricks.
  - Then the Big Bad Wolf blew them all down except the one made out of bricks.
- Ask kids what they think all the pigs should have built their house out of so the Big Bad Wolf couldn't blow it down.
- Talk to kids about what they would build their house out of if they could build a house.
- Pass out paper and markers and invite kids to draw what their house would look like if they could have any house.
- Invite kids to place their offerings in the container.

Lead your group to the Large Group area.

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## Groups: Creating a Safe Place to Connect (10 minutes)

Create a safe place to connect and learn how the Bible Truth applies to real life experiences, through interactive activities and discussion questions.

### Move It

**What You Need:** Bibles

### What You Do:

- Guide kids to find 2 Peter 1:3a in their Bibles by using the following tips.

**Finding verses with kindergartners:** Guide children to open the Bibles to the marked page. Point to 2 Peter at the top of the page as you say “Second Peter” aloud. Then guide children to find the big number 1 on the page. Explain that this is the chapter number. Finally, guide them to look under the big 1 for the little 3; this is the verse number. Tell them to leave their finger on the verse as you read the verse aloud. Then lead everyone to say the verse together.

**Finding verses with 1<sup>st</sup> graders:** Guide them to open their Bibles to the front and find the table of contents. (*Hold up a Bible opened to the table of contents to show the kids what the page looks like.*) When the kids find the table of contents, lead them to find 2 Peter in the list under “New Testament.” You can help by telling them that 2 Peter starts with the number two. When the kids find 2 Peter, lead them to look at the page number beside the word. Explain that the number tells them on what page they can find 2 Peter. Help the kids find the page. When they find 2 Peter, explain that the big numbers on the page are the chapter numbers. Help them find chapter 1. Explain that the small numbers are verse numbers. Help them find verse 3 in chapter 1.

- Read the verse aloud several times together.
- Then show kids a few motions they can do along with the words and/or let them come up with some of their own.
  - “power”—muscles
  - “everything”—spread arms wide
  - “godly”—point up
- Say the verse several times with the motions.

### What You Say:

“We can have self-control and be godly because we have God’s power. He is more powerful than anything, so if His power can help us have self-control, then we can be sure of it. But we have to choose it. And when we do choose it, God’s power will give us the ability to do the right thing. **[Bottom Line] Doing what you should can keep you safe.**”

## Pray and Dismiss (10 minutes)

**What You Need:** No supplies needed

**What You Do:**

- Ask kids to tell you why fences are important. (*They keep us safe.*)
- Tell kids to close their eyes while you pray.
- When you pause, they should silently repeat what you have said.

**What You Say:**

“Dear God (*pause*), thank You for Your awesome power (*pause*). We know we can have self-control (*pause*) because You give us the power to do so (*pause*). Help us to choose self-control (*pause*) so we can do the things we should (*pause*). Amen. This week, remember to pray and ask God to help you have self-control and do what you should. **[Bottom Line] Doing what you should can keep you safe.**”