

Day 5 Friday

You can LIVE for God by loving others

Craft: Tissue Paper Frame

WHAT YOU DO:

Glue the outside border of the frame around three sides to create an opening in the top to insert a picture. Depending on the ages of your group, either glue down tissue paper squares around the frame, or use a pencil to wrap a square around and glue down in a tight pattern all over the frame. It works best to work in sections and run glue lines all over the portion you are working on. You may give out a picture of your group or a verse to put into the frame.

WHAT YOU SAY:

Do you have pictures around your house of special people in your life? Who would you choose to put into the frame you just made? Loving others is important; we all need to be loved. When you get home, place your photo frame someplace you can see it and remember your week at Focus VBS.

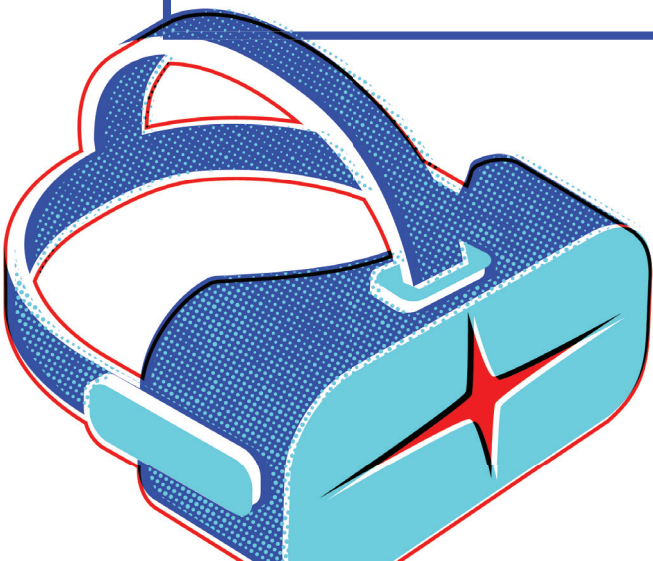
Game: Mountains and Valleys

WHAT YOU DO:

Divide the kids in your group into two teams. Place the cups around your space, half of them up and half of them down. On your "Go," one team will work to turn all the cups up, and the other team will work to turn all the cups down. When you stop the game, count how many cups are up and down, then determine the winner.

WHAT YOU SAY:

In real life, there are many things that can distract us from what is most important. Jesus made it simple by telling us the most important things to focus on: loving God and loving others. When we love others, we show our love for God. When we show people the love of Jesus by how we treat them, we can point them to Jesus. One of the best ways to live for God is by loving others.



Serve: Wave and Wash

WHAT YOU DO:

Arrange ahead of time to wash someone's car, their dog, or anything the kids can work on together. It could be your own, or a neighbor's. Just make it a project that gets as many kids involved as possible, and creates an opportunity to show love to another person.

WHAT YOU SAY:

You did such a good job of serving today! _____ is going to be so happy when they see their car (or pet, or yard). You were really showing love by living out your faith. It's just like we talked about; you are living for God when you love others.

Snack: Choose Any Snack You Like

WHAT YOU DO:

Gather the kids around you in a quiet, cool spot that allows for relaxing, thinking and discussion. Have cups of water and the snack ready to distribute when you're ready.

WHAT YOU SAY:

Use the Travel Time questions to go deeper into what you are learning today. Snack time provides a great opportunity for spending quality time as a group.

Travel Time

- What makes it so hard to love others?
- What are some things that distract you from loving others?
- Who do you know that's a good example of someone who loves others?
- What was your favorite part of VBS? Did you make new friends? How can you love some of the people you met this week?
- How are you going to live for God by loving others this coming week?

