# I Can Grow in God through Worship

# Week 3 (30th Apr 2023):

The Big Point: I Can Grow in God through Worship

God's Word: Worship is all about Jesus (Hebrews 12:28)

**Memory Verse:** We are receiving a kingdom that can't be shaken. So let us be thankful. Then we can worship God in a way that pleases him. Let us worship him with deep respect and wonder. Hebrews 12:28 NIRV

**Application:** I will worship God the best way I can because He is worthy.

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**Series Aim:** For kids to grow in their hunger for friendship with God through reading the Bible, prayer, worship and going to church.

**Lesson Video:** ■ TTB Online Kids' Programme - Session 18 (Worship Is All About Jesus) (16:49 onwards to 38:43)

# **Duration: 20 mins**

# **Before Sunday:**

- *Pray* and prepare yourself by reading through this Huddle Guide and the Word Study of the week found on the <u>HopeKids Service Plan Blogspot</u>.
- All Huddle Leaders (or Huddle Hosts) are to prepare your own "script" and things to say. Feel free to inject your own questions or discussion points whenever necessary to suit the needs of your children.
- NOTES:
  - \*You are highly encouraged to always make your own preparation by reading the Word Study.

# **Before Service on Sunday Morning:**

- Please note that the following is prepared for you:
  - o Printout of various items for Price is Right game
  - ¼ A4 strips of paper
  - Printout of cute dog (1 dog per group)
  - Please be reminded there are items for you to optionally prep/buy as stated

### below.

- Prepare all the items that are needed for Huddle Time. For this week:
  - Physical Bibles
  - HopeKids Notebooks
  - Writing Materials
  - Paper / Whiteboard
  - Whiteboard markers (if using whiteboards)
  - Printout of items (used for Price is Right game, you may opt to spend money and bless your kids with prizes or buy inexpensive items for them to play with)
  - o Printout of dog
  - Optional: Items for Price is Right
    - E.g. If they guessed the price of a kit kat chunky bar right, they would get it as a prize.
    - Or use the printouts and just get one pack milo drinks as prizes for all kids who participated in Price is Right game
    - NOTE: Please be mindful of allergies. Please also remind them to eat outside HopeKids premises and after service. NO EATING WITHIN HOPEKIDS SERVICES / PREMISES.

### **During Huddle Time:**

- Have the children sit in a circle, keeping it to 12 children per group.
- Welcome and ease the children into Huddle Time by:
  - Introducing yourself and the kids to one another
  - Air high-fives, fist bumps
  - Playing small ice breaker games
- Remind the kids that the BEST rules still applies during Huddle Time

# Activity 1: Ice Breakers - Recap of Series

**Objective:** To connect kids to each other and to huddle leaders. The basis of the first part of this time is simply to open hearts and it does not have to always be spiritual/biblical, but it also can be.

#### **Materials Needed:**

- Strips of papers can be
- Writing Materials / Markers
- Printouts
- Optional: Items / prizes

Welcome the kids and make sure you know the names of all the kids in your group (especially if there are new kids)!

Ask the kids the following questions to get them to talk and share with the group or each other:

- What is your favourite song?
- What is your favourite worship song?
- Do you have a pet at home?

Wow, thank you so much for sharing, HopeKids.

Okay, how many of you were here in the past 2 weeks? What have we been learning about? How can you grow in God?

- First week we learnt that we can grow in God by reading God's Word We can do HRSMM (Hear, Read, Study, Memorise, Meditate) with God's Word.
- Last week, we learnt that we can grow in God through prayer talking to God and with God that means both talking and listening to God! And we must also pray according to God's plans with respect and honour for God. We learnt that we can pray to God through P.R.A.Y.!

Who remembers what is P.R.A.Y?

- Get different kids to answer for the different alphabets.
- P Praise
- R Repent
- A Ask
- Y Yield

Alright, great job HopeKids! How many of you have been making P.R.A.Y. prayers to God in the past week?

Alright, that's so great to hear! And today, we learnt that we can grow in God through worship! But I hope you will keep remembering and practising what you have been learning in the past two weeks - don't forget to use HRSMM with the Bible and pray P.R.A.Y. prayers!



Hello Panda Assorted Box



Minecraft Super Bite-Sized Builds book



Milo 6-pack set



Super Mario Lego Set: Creativity Toolbox



Kit Kat Multi-pack

Before we continue, let's play a short game of The Price is Right!

The rules of the game are simple:

- 1. I will show you a printout (or an item) and you are supposed to guess the price of this item by writing them down on the strips of paper.
- 2. After I show you the printout of the item (or item), you have 10 seconds to guess and write down. And at the count of 3, you show your answers.
- 3. I will reveal the answer and the closest to the right price gets a point / wins a price!

Printouts include pictures and price (printed in top left corner) of:

- Minecraft book
  - 2. A pack of 6 Milo packet drinks
  - 3. Super Mario Lego Set
- 4. A pack of Kit Kat chocolates
- 5. A multipack box of Hello Panda snacks

Everyone clear on the game? Alright, let's play! \*Proceed to play - there will be 5 rounds.

Alright, how many of you have fun playing that game?

The price put on the item is the value that is tagged to that item - and how much or how little we think that item is shows how much we value that item as well.

And what does this have to do with worship, you might think. But it does, because worship is about how much we value God. How much do we think God is worth. And the way we express that is in our worship.

# **Activity 2: An Object Lesson about Worship**

**Objective:** To help kids learn that Worship is all about God

#### **Materials Needed:**

- Printout of cute dog
- Physical Bible
- Writing Materials
- HopeKids Journal

Okay HopeKids! So like what we said, worship is all about how much we value God.

Some of you, perhaps you already value God and hold Him in high regard. But for some of you, maybe God still seems distant and you are not yet so sure. We all have our own journeys with God. But in how we worship, we must be sincere and respectful.



# **Show Picture of Cute Dog**

How many of you love dogs? Isn't this dog so cute? Yes, right? We are going to learn a little bit from dogs.

And dogs are smart. They love treats and you can train them using treats. A dog will do just about anything for a treat. They will sit, lay down, roll over, play dead, fetch a ball. If the dog knows he or she is going to get a treat, that dog will do whatever you want.

But you know something? When a dog does something for a treat, they do it for selfish reasons, don't they? When you first train a dog, the dog becomes used to - or conditioned - to do tricks because they receive a reward. If you weren't waving a yummy treat, they might just walk away and ignore you.

And actually, we are not so different from these cute dogs too. Sometimes we may respond to God that way. We act nice and we pray because we want God to give us a treat. But God doesn't want us to love him like that. Whether we have good times or bad, God wants us to love him, and thank him,

worshipping Him for all His worth and all His goodness. Of course, in sincerity as well.

But a good and obedient dog can learn to do tricks to love and obey its master without treats... if they know and love their master.

In the same way as well, we can know and love God more and more, and worship Him for who He is regardless of good times or bad times. Because worship is all about His worth, and about how good He is. And worship must be done with a sincere heart.

Alright, and now HopeKids, I want you to reflect about 2 things in your HopeKids Journal:

- 1. How is your attitude and heart in worshipping God at this point? Do you love God or are you still unsure about God?
- 2. We also learnt about different expressions of worship from Uncle Elvin and Aunty Esther. What is one way you think you will want to do to express your love and worship to God?

# What better way to end this time by now praying together!

- Lead the kids to pray together in your own words.
- Possible prayer:

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for loving me and saving me. Thank you for being such a good God who is worthy of our worship in good times and bad. Help me to grow more in you so that I will also grow in my worship, and use my worship to grow in you. I love you. In Jesus' name, amen.

# **Activity 3: Memory Verse**

**Objective:** To hide God's Word in the children's hearts

#### Materials needed:

- Physical Bible
- Recommended to prepare: small pieces of paper or post-its
- Writing Materials

**Note:** Please note that we do not have a memory verse video for this series. Huddle Leaders are highly encouraged to go through the memory verse with the kids within huddle time!!

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Worship only makes sense when we already know and believe in God for ourselves. When we believe in Jesus, we become part of God's Kingdom which becomes ours - and this spiritual Kingdom of God will never be shaken. We then grow more in God when we know Him and choose to express our thankfulness for His love and what He has done to save us and placed us to be part of His Kingdom. This expression of love, thankfulness, deep respect and wonder of His love is worship that pleases Him. Thus, worship is all about God!

Huddle leaders can do this in various ways. If using small strips of paper/post-its:

- You can give each kid one of the strips of paper for them to write on like a dictation.
- You can make it a game by having each kid in your huddle group write one word and have the kids put the memory verse together using their word.

#### **Announcements**



Come back next week to continue our series - Growing in God! Next week, we are talking all about growing in God through being part of God's family - the church family!!