



PRELUDE

**SOCIAL**

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME

15 MINUTES

## BIBLE STORY

God is with me  
so I can be wise.

**DEBORAH**  
**JUDGES 4 AND 5**

## MEMORY VERSE

"We have the Lord  
our God to help us."

**2 CHRONICLES 32:8, NLT**

## KEY QUESTION

Who is always with you?

## BOTTOM LINE

God is always with me.

## BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.

## SCAVENGER HUNT

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Scavenger Hunt Activity Page (see below), Tape

**WHAT YOU DO:** Copy the scavenger hunt clues and cut apart. Tape each clue to its spot in the room as noted at the top of the clue.

Read each clue aloud and let your child guess the location of the next clue. You will start with Clue #1 at the classroom door. Read each clue and continue until you've read each clue and traveled to each location.

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "Let's go on a scavenger hunt around the classroom! I will read something like a clue. I want you to listen. After we listen, we'll decide what to do next. Ready? Listen closely."

Great job! You figured out what to do each time. Way to go! In today's story, people went to a special person to decide what to do next. Let's go find out what happened."

Clue 1: (Tape this clue to the Door)

**This is where we throw our trash so we can clean up in a flash.**

(Lead children to the trash can)

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Clue 2: (Tape this clue to the Trash Can)

**When we want to get off our feet, this is where we take a seat.**

(Lead the children to the chair)

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Clue 3: Chair (Tape this clue to the chair)

**When it's dark, we flip this. Where would you find this switch?**

(Lead the children to the light switch)

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Clue 4: Light switch (Tape this clue to the light switch)

**We sit here with snacks to eat right next to where we take a seat.**

(Lead the children to the table)

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Clue 5: Table (Tape this clue to the table)

**This is where we dance and play, or sit in a circle to end the day.**

(Lead children to sit in the activity area for "What You Say:

After the Activity" dialogue and pass out the stickers!)

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## BIBLE LESSON

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "It's time to hear a true story straight from the Bible. It begins with a woman named Deborah. Every day, Deborah would stand under a tree. The people would come to her with their big questions and ask her what to do. Deborah knew God was with her. She trusted God to help her be wise and tell the people the right thing to do. Let's watch."

## SHOW THE VIDEO

**WHAT YOU DO:** Show the teaching video now.

**VIDEO LINK:** <https://vimeo.com/601216436>

## WRAPPING UP THE STORY

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "You can be wise and remember that God wants us to help people. God was with Deborah and helped her be wise. God is always with you. He will help you be wise and do the right thing, too. Tell me, **who is always with you?**"

**God is always with me!** That's the truth. God is always with you, and He will help you be wise, just like He helped Deborah. It's time to talk to God. Let's bow our heads as we pray."

## PRAYER

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "God, You are the One true God! You know everything. As we make choices this week, help us remember that You are with us and You will help us be wise! We love You, God. In Jesus' name we pray, amen"



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## MEMORY VERSE WITH MOTIONS

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "I'm going to say our memory verse. Watch me!"

We have (*bend wrists and tap fingers to chest*)  
the Lord (*point up*)  
our God to help us (*right thumbs-up on top of left palm*)  
2 Chronicles 32:8. (*Open your hands like a book*).

Now let's do it together! Are you ready?  
We have (*bend wrists and tap fingers to chest*)  
the Lord (*point up*)  
our God to help us (*right thumbs-up on top of left palm*)  
2 Chronicles 32:8. (*Open your hands like a book*)."

## JOURNAL AND PRAYER

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "Our Bible story, today, was about how people would go to Deborah when they had hard questions. I don't think they silly danced to Deborah though, because they had very important questions to ask her. Deborah had a very important job. She would listen to people then tell them the wise thing to do. Deborah was able to do this because she knew God was always with her, helping her be wise. God is always with us, too. That's why when I ask, '**who is always with you?**', you say, '**God is always with me!**' Let me hear you say it. **Who is always with you?**"

**God is always with me!** Now let's write in our prayer journal and talk to God. Deborah needed help knowing the wise things to say and do. She knew God was always with her, helping her be wise. Today, we'll make a list of things we need help with. We all need help, right? Right! Tell me something you need help with. I will write it in our prayer journal.

Thank you for making this list with me. We can use it when we pray."

## Prayer

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "Dear God, Thank You for the Bible. It is full of so many stories about people You have helped, like Deborah. You were always with her and helped her be a wise leader. We believe You are always with us and will help us, too. Please help [child's name] with [what they listed]. You are the best, God, and we love You. In Jesus' name, amen."



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## STORY MEMORY MATCH

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Story Memory Match Activity Pages (see below), Index Cards, Glue, Scissors

**WHAT YOU DO:** Copy the activity pages for your child. They will also have 10 index card and they will cut out each picture and glue it to a card.

Assist them in making their own set of memory match cards.

**WHAT YOU SAY:** "I have something that will help us remember the Bible story we heard today!"

First, we need to make Story Memory Match cards. Everyone needs ten cards.

Now for the story pictures! Our first story picture is Deborah. Deborah was a judge and helped God's people know the right thing to do. Put a Deborah picture on two of your cards. Now you have two Deborah Story Memory Match cards.

Our next story picture is a tree. Deborah would stand under a tree so people would know where she was when they needed her help. Put a tree picture on two of your cards. Now you have two tree Story Memory Match cards.

Our next story picture is a group of people. The people would go see Deborah at the tree when they needed help with their hard questions. Put a people picture on two of your cards. Now you have two people Story Memory Match cards. We're almost done!

Our next story picture is an ear. What do we do with our ears? Yes, we listen with our ears. Deborah used her ears to listen to God and all of the people. I will give you two ear pictures. Put an ear sticker on two of your cards. Now you have two ear Story Memory Match cards.

For our last story picture, we have a heart! Deborah knew God loved her and was always with her so she could be a wise leader. Put a heart picture on two of your cards. Now you have all of your Story Memory Match cards! That means we can play Story Memory Match together! God is with us, helping us be wise just like He was with Deborah. **Who is always with you? God is always with me.** Yes, He is!"

