



SUPER KIDS | WEEK 1 | OCTOBER 5, 2025

## Preschool Lesson

# Esther

**Bible Story:** *Esther* • I can pray and be brave • *Esther 2:2-8:17*

**Memory Verse:** “Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid...for the LORD your God goes with you.” Deuteronomy 31:6 NIV

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### LEADER BIBLE STUDY

Deep down, everybody wants to be a super kid, and nothing defines super kid better than the word ‘brave.’ Being brave is a lot easier to say than do—for preschoolers and grownups. What we do to be brave—and Who can help us be brave—is what this month is all about. We can pray, like Esther, and be brave. We can remember that God is with us, like David, and be brave. We can trust what God says, like Gideon, and be brave. And when we pray, remember, and trust, God can help us be brave so we can help others, like Abigail.

We want our preschoolers to grow up knowing that when they are afraid, God can help them be brave, and that is what makes them a super kid. Join us as we pray for our preschoolers and their families, as well as those of us who lead them. Pray that we will look to God and God alone when we are afraid and have to do hard things, because God can help us be brave.

### Pre-Service Check List

- HUDDLE AS TEAM → You're in this together! Pray together and talk about the activities for the day.
- PLAY MUSIC
- PUT OUT TOYS
- PUT ASIDE DISTRACTIONS → A welcoming environment is important! We want it to be obvious from the moment kids walk in that they belong HERE!
- ENGAGE WITH KIDS

### Morning Flow

Doors  
Open  
9:15/11:00

Kid  
Connect  
9:35/11:20

Large Group  
Starts  
9:40/11:25

Small Group  
Starts  
10:05/11:50

## KID CONNECT

### WELCOME TIME

(VIDEO: ARRIVAL MUSIC)

Play intro music in the background as you greet preschoolers and follow the KidCity check-in procedures. Set out a few favorite theme-related toys, such as puzzles and blocks.

### OPENING ACTIVITY

(No Supplies)

Kid Connect time is spent building relationships with the kids. Gather your Small Group together for some intentional connecting time before Large Group. You can do small activities while you chat together (like coloring or building with blocks) or just sit and listen to each other. Ask your kids relationship-building questions like:

- How old are you?
- Do you have a favorite stuffed animal?
- Do you have a brother, sister, or pet? What are their names?
- What do you like to play at home?
- What's your favorite food/color/animal/ice cream flavor?

*Transition to Large Group...*

## LARGE GROUP

### COUNTDOWN

(VIDEO: COUNTDOWN)

Show the countdown video as the children clean up and transition to Large Group.

### SETTING UP FOR SUCCESS

(CG: EXPECTATION SLIDE, BASIC TRUTHS SLIDE, MEMORY VERSE VIDEO; BIBLE)

**LGL:** "Hello my friends! How are you today? Come and sit with me. I am so glad you are here! My name is [your name]. I'm excited to spend time with you today! We are getting ready to sing and dance and hear a true story from the Bible. Before we do let's go over our rules and truths.

"Here in KidCity we have three rules. How many rules do we have? (*Kids respond.*) That's right! Three rules. Let's go over our rules now. (*List rules while counting on fingers*)

1. **Be kind.** We can be kind by using our indoor speaking voices, by staying on our blankets (or whatever space you have), and by obeying our leaders.
2. **Be safe.** We can be safe by walking around the classroom and keeping our hands to ourselves.
3. **Have fun!** We are going to have SO much fun, and that's because you are here!

"Can everybody follow those rules today? (*Kids respond.*) Great! KidCity is a place where we learn

about God and Jesus! And there are three big truths that we want you to know. Let's say them all together! Are you ready?

1. **I am made by God.** What is it? *(Kids repeat.)*
2. **I am loved by God no matter what.** What is it? *(Kids repeat.)*
3. **I am made for a purpose!** What is it? *(Kids repeat.)*

"It's time for our memory verse. Let's watch our memory verse motions and do it along with them!"

*Show memory verse motion video and then practice without it.*

'Be strong and courageous. *(Muscle arms)*  
Do not be afraid . . . *(cross and uncross hands)*  
for the Lord your God *(flat hand with thumb to forehead, pull down)*  
goes with you," *(march in place)*  
Deuteronomy 31:6. *(Open hands like a book.)*

"Ok, now let's sing and worship God!"

## WORSHIP

**(VIDEO: SUPER DUPER KID, VERY BIG THINGS)**

Sing the worship songs together.

## INTRO SKETCH

**(Story Box with Beginner's Bible, Stuffed Ollie the Owl Dressed in a Superhero Cape and Mask)**

*LGL brings the story box with the Bible to the center of the room.*

"I have my story box ready. I'm SO excited to see what we are learning about God today. Let's see what I have in here..."

*Pull out the Bible*

What is this? *(Pause for responses.)* Yes, it's the Bible! The Bible is God's word and God's word is always true. The Bible has many stories that make one BIG story, and we (you and me) are part of that story.

There is something else in our story box today. Let's see what it is!

*Pull out Superhero Ollie*

Hello Ollie! Can everyone say, "Hello Ollie!" *(Pause for responses.)* What is Ollie wearing? *(Pause for responses.)* YES, Ollie is wearing a Superhero costume! *(Pause for responses.)* In our story today, we are going to hear about someone who was BRAVE! Guess what? They didn't need a Superhero costume to be BRAVE. What? How were they BRAVE? Let's get ready to watch our Bible story video and find out!

Let's click on our listening ears (tug on each ear, one at a time, as you make a click, click sound),

let's put on our looking eyes (bring your hands, one at a time, to your eyes like binoculars as you say shook, shook) and let's put our hands that have been move and praising Jesus quietly in our laps.

Now we are ready. Let's watch today's true Bible story."

## WATCH THE BIBLE STORY

(VIDEO: BIBLE STORY, BOTTOM LINE)

"Wow! That was a great story! What was the name of the woman who was BRAVE in our story today? *(Pause for responses.)* YES, her name was Esther! Who helped Esther be BRAVE and go to the king? *(Pause for responses.)* YES, God did! We are learning this month that God can help us be brave.

When I ask you, 'Who can help you be brave?' I want you to say, *[Bottom Line]* 'God can help me be brave.' Are you ready? *(Pause for responses.)* 'Who can help you be brave?' *[Bottom Line]* 'God can help you be brave.' YES! *[Bottom Line]* 'God can help you be brave.'

## SAY THE BASIC TRUTH

(CG: BASIC TRUTH SLIDE)

Let's look at our Basic Truth for today. It says, 'I am made for a purpose so the Holy Spirit (that's God in me) will help me do big things now.' God helped Esther do something big. She asked the king to keep God's people safe. God can help you do big things and be brave too!

## PRAY

"Let's get our hands ready to pray. *Open them, close them, open them, close them, give a little clap. Open them, close them, open them, close them, fold them in your lap.*

Dear God, thank you for hearing us when we pray to you. Help us remember that we can talk to you when we have hard things to do, and you will help us be brave. In Jesus' name. Amen."

## TRANSITION TO SMALL GROUP

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## STORY CROWN (2's-5's)

(“Esther Crown” Activity Page – 1 per group on yellow/gold paper and “Story Crown Stickers” Activity Page- 1 set per group (page has 4 sets) on circle labels and 5 heart stickers per group.

### What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Copy “Story Crown” page 1 per group on yellow/gold card stock and “Story Crown Stickers” 1 set per group on circle labels, cut apart.

*During the Activity:* Gather the kids and tell them you are going to be decorating a crown as you review the Bible Story.

*After the Activity:* Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

### What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* “Super friends! Come join me at the table, I have a super creative way for us to review today’s Bible Story about Queen Esther!”

*During the Activity:* “I have this crown who was our story about today who wore a crown??” (Pause) “Yes, that’s right, Queen Esther!” “But look, our crown is missing its jewels! We are going to review the story and add on the jewels as we go, but I will need your help!” We will pass the jewels around the circle before we put them on the crown. Here we go.”

- **Beautiful Queen Esther-** “Today’s true story from the Bible was about a Beautiful Queen named Esther. She was part of God’s people.”
- **Heart Sticker-** “Esther loved God.”
- **Praying Sticker-** “Esther was married to a very powerful king. He was tricked and made a decision that would hurt God’s people. But he didn’t know that Esther was a part of God’s people, oh no! Esther knew she needed to talk to the king, but the king had a rule that you couldn’t talk to him unless you were invited. Esther asked God’s people to pray and talk to God with her.
- **Heart Sticker-** “They prayed together for three days. Esther trusted that God could help her be brave, so she asked the king to keep God’s people safe.”
- **Queen & King Celebrating-** “The king said yes, and everyone celebrated! That’s our very last story sticker, and our last jewel to add to the crown. (Hand each child a Queen and King celebrating sticker and point to the last circle.)
- **Heart Sticker-** “God helped Esther be brave!”



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*After the Activity:* “Esther prayed, and God helped her be brave. You can pray and God can help you be brave too! **Who can help you be brave? [Bottom Line] God can help me be brave.**”

## BRAVERY BADGE (2's-5's)

(“Bravery Badge” Activity Page on Cardstock - 1 badge per child (4 badges/page), Yarn - (1) 18” Piece per child, Hole Punch and Scissors (1 per group or prepared ahead of time), Coloring Supplies.

### What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Copy “Bravery Badge” on cardstock and cut one per child. Write each child’s name on their badge and punch a hole at the top. Cut yarn into 36-inch lengths, one per child, and run through the hole of each badge.

*During the Activity:* Encourage kids to decorate their badges.

*After the Activity:* Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

### What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* “Friends, come to the table with me. Today, we heard the story of how God helped Queen Esther be brave. I have a bravery badge for you to decorate and wear today.”

*During the Activity:* “Your badge says, ‘I am a Super Kid because [Bottom Line] God can help me be brave.’ Use the markers, crayons, and stickers to decorate your badge. (Pause.) Wow! Great job, friends. Put your badges on and get ready to help me review today’s Bible Story about brave Queen Esther.”

*After the Activity:* “All right, my brave Super Kids! Today, our true story from the Bible begins with a beautiful queen named Esther. Esther knew she needed to be brave and talk to the king. She needed the king to help keep God’s people safe! Esther asked God’s people to pray and talk to God with her.

They prayed together for three days, and Esther trusted that God could help her be brave. So, Esther went and asked the king to keep God’s people safe, and the king said yes! Everyone celebrated. Let’s celebrate too! “HOORAY!” Esther prayed, and God helped her be brave. You can pray and God can help you be brave, too! **Who can help you be brave? [Bottom Line] God can help me be brave.** That’s right, Super Kids! God can help you be brave!”

## MEMORY VERSE WITH MOTIONS

(Memory Verse Motions Poster – 1 per group)

Say the memory verse using motions from the Memory Verse Motions poster. Repeat several times and encourage children for their efforts.

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for the Lord your God (flat hand with thumb to forehead, pull down)

goes with you,” *(march in place)*  
Deuteronomy 31:6. *(Open hands like a book.)*

## PRAY

“Let’s pray together. *(Have kids “put both hands up in the air, clap them together once [keep hands clasped], and then lower them down to their lap.”)*

Dear God, thank you that we can pray and talk to you when we need to do hard things. You can help us be brave because you are the one true God. We love you! In Jesus’ name. Amen.”

## PARENT PICK UP ACTIVITY – READ THE STORY

**(The Beginner’s Bible)**

### What You Do:

- Open up the Beginner’s Bible to today’s (The Brave Queen, page #240) and read it to your small group.

## CONNECT WITH PARENTS/INFLUENCERS

**(First Look Placemats - 1 per child)**

Hand out placemats and encourage parents/influencers to review the Preschool lesson with their child this week.