

Things to take:

- Question box with pens & paper.
- Door welcome sign, register & rules.
- Memory verse sign.
- Print out of words for true or false game.
- Print out of Books of the bible from CD X 2.
- Ingredients for biscuits for the talk.

Session Aim:

To demonstrate that the Bible is not just a book, it's is God's word and it's relevant!

'Everything in scripture in God's word.'

2 Timothy 3:16

Game as they arrive and register: True or false

Print off the set of words from the 'extras' section of the CD. Each word has 3 definitions - one of which is true. These could be stuck around the room for the children to do as they arrive or could be read out from the front.

Game: Books of the Bible

Have 2 sets of Bible book titles from the 'extras' section of the CD, at the end of the room. Play a relay race for the teams to collect the book titles. The winning team is the one that collects them all and puts them in order. Give each team a Bible to help them. There are a lot of books, if you think it'll take too long adapt it-keep 2 books together-Genesis and Exodus not cut apart; or do just old or new testament.

Pray

Rules & answer questions in the question box

Memory verse: 2 Timothy 3:16

'Everything in scripture is God's word.'

Explain what 'scripture' means and then talk a little bit about how we believe that God inspired the authors of the Bible.

Bible bit:

Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17 from a child-friendly translation. It would be a good idea to follow this with a brief time of talking about what the words mean, especially the metaphor 'God breathed'.

Talk:

Use the book relay game to talk to the children about how the Bible is made up of lots of books, each with a different 'flavour'-history, poem, story, advice etc. Talk to them about how to read it and find things in it.

Have the ingredients for making biscuits/ other recipe. Ask the children if you just put all the ingredients in the bowl would you have biscuits? No, you need to follow a recipe to give you instructions. The Bible is God's word to us. In the same way a recipe shows us how to have a successful end result, the Bible instructs, guides and speaks to us.

Testimony:

As an example, get a leader to share when the Bible has helped them make a decision or taught them something useful about God. Or leaders could share their favourite Bible passage.

Group Prayer:

Father, we thank you for the Bible. Thank you that you use it to speak to us and to teach us. Amen.

Response:

Let the children explore a bible and have a look for passages. You could challenge them to find different passages or see if they can find stories they know from the Bible.

OR

Use the Bible word searches on books of the Bible.

Song & Actions:

This term you could either do 'God's Love is Big' from 'Kids Wanna Praise Rock' CD or 'Deeper' by 'Delirious?' which you can download from Amazon for 69p. Words for both of the songs are on the resources section of the CD.

Game: Finger Fencing

In partners holding hands like you are shaking hands with your pointer finger pointing up. Pretend to be fencing. The object is to touch your partner on the knee with your finger.

Pray: Kids Rock prayer before they leave.