



**I always let the LORD guide me.
Because he is at my right hand,
I will not be shaken**

PSALM 16:8

We are starting off January 2025 with the Theme *Locked In*, where kids will learn they are secure in God. Kids will learn that God is strong when we are weak, He is our peace when we are anxious, He is trustworthy when we doubt, and He is faithful when we are confused.

January 5: God Is Strong When I Am Weak

Bible Story: Joshua and the Battle of Jericho (Joshua 1–2; 6)

This week, we are teaching that God is strong when we are weak. In Joshua 1–2 and 6, Joshua was tasked with the seemingly impossible job of leading God’s people to take over the city of Jericho. Though Joshua and God’s people seemed weak in comparison, God showed that He would give them victory through His strength. And He did! Joshua and God’s people marched around Jericho, and the wall miraculously fell down! God is our strength when we are weak, and we are secure in Him.

January 12 : God Is My Peace When I Am Anxious

Bible Story: Elisha and the Widow’s Oil (2 Kings 4:1-7)

Our Bible story this week will teach kids that God is our peace when we are anxious. In 2 Kings 4:1-7, a prophet named Elisha was approached by a widow who was worried and anxious about a large debt her family owed. God performed a miracle by multiplying the widow’s oil, enabling her to sell it and pay off her debt. Whenever we are anxious, we can turn to God and remember that we are secure in Him, which leads to peace.

January 19: God Is Trustworthy When I Doubt

Bible Story: Moses and the Red Sea (Exodus 13–14)

This month your kids are learning about how they are secure in God. Our Bible story this week is in Exodus 13–14, where kids will learn that God is trustworthy when they doubt. God’s people, the Israelites, were freed from slavery in Egypt only to find themselves being chased by their captors. When they reached the Red Sea, they doubted they would be able to escape the Egyptian army. But God showed He was trustworthy to take care of them when He divided the sea and enabled them to walk on dry land to safety. We can know, even when we doubt, when things seem difficult or impossible, God is trustworthy.

January 26: God Is Faithful When I Am Confused

Bible Story: Elisha and the Army (2 Kings 6:8-23)

This week, our Bible story will teach kids that God is faithful when they are confused. In 2 Kings 6:8-23, a prophet named Elisha and his servant found themselves in a city surrounded by an army that was seeking to capture them. The servant was confused and worried, but Elisha prayed that the servant’s eyes would be opened to see how God was faithfully taking care of them. Then, the servant saw that the hills around the army were filled with God’s own heavenly army! While kids won’t find themselves in that exact situation, they can know that God is with them. When life feels confusing and uncertain, kids can know and trust that God is faithful, and they are secure in Him.