



BIG IDEA

Angels help us even if we don't notice.

CHARACTERS | WEEK 3 OF 4

Angels

GOD STORY

Angels and Demons
A walk through the whole Bible; Romans 8:38–39

KEY VERSE

I am absolutely sure that not even death or life can separate us from God's love. Not even angels or demons, the present or the future, or any powers can separate us.
Romans 8:38 (NIRV)

LEADER TIP

This series covers God, Satan, angels and demons, and us! If you'd like, prepare by listening to The Meeting House's series "Deliver Us from Evil" from 2015.

My Story

1 | CONVERSATION STARTER (2 minutes)

Lead into today's lesson by talking about whether angels are real and what they might do.

2 | INTRO ACTIVITY (5 minutes)

Use foam letters to form some key words and phrases from this week's teaching. Introduce the Big Idea.

God Story | Life Story

3 | WEEKLY VIDEO (12 minutes)

Watch the video, which includes host, God Story, Key Verse, and Life Story segments. Recap and discuss the teaching together.

My Story

4 | SMALL GROUP ACTIVITY (12 minutes*)

Make a craft that shows each person's idea of what angels might look like.

5 | WRAP-UP ACTIVITY (8 minutes)

Practise saying the Key Verse together as the kids toss around a beach ball.

Our Story

6 | DISMISSAL

Connect with parents and give them take-home materials.

*Extend as needed and adjust the timing for other activities.



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1 | Conversation Starter

SUPPLIES

- None

LEADER TIP

- This is meant to be a casual conversation as the kids arrive. Move on quickly to the Intro Activity so you have enough time for it before the teaching video.

INSTRUCTIONS

- As the kids arrive, welcome them and gather everyone together.
- Ask:
 - Do you think angels are real?
 - What do you think angels do?
 - Where have you gotten your ideas about angels?
- Depending on the size of your group, have the kids share their answers with the people sitting closest to them or with everyone.

2 | Intro Activity

SUPPLIES

- Foam letters

INSTRUCTIONS

- Gather everyone in a circle on the floor.
- Place the foam letters in the middle of the circle.
- Let the kids know that when angels greeted people in the Bible, they said, "Don't fear!"
- Direct the kids to work together to find the letters for "angel" and "don't fear". If they do it quickly, direct them to find the letters for "love" as well. If any letters are missing, encourage the kids to be creative and use other items or body parts to form those letters.
- Once the words are formed, explain that angels are messengers, but they do more than that!
- Introduce today's Big Idea: **Angels help us even if we don't notice.**
- Pray and thank God that he sends his angels to help us and share his love!



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3 | Weekly Video

SUPPLIES

- Video file

LEADER TIP

- Get the kids' initial reactions right after watching the video. Ask what stood out to them and clarify ideas as needed.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Play the video. It includes:
 - Host segment
 - God Story (Angels and Demons, A walk through the whole Bible; Romans 8:38–39)
 - Key Verse segment
 - Life Story (Dr. Jamie Robertson teaches a lecture-style theology course)
- Recap the video teaching. Discuss:
 - What was the God Story about in today's video?
 - What did you learn from Dr. Robertson this week?

My Story

4 | Small Group Activity

SUPPLIES

- Small white paper plates
- Googly eyes
- Sparkly pipe cleaners
- Glue sticks
- Markers
- Yarn pieces
- Big Idea labels

LEADER TIPS

- An angel's role is to worship God and to help us experience God's love.
- Make sure the kids' names are on their crafts.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Gather your small group together.
- Discuss:
 - Do you remember any stories from the Bible that have angels in them?
 - What is an angel's role?
 - Do you think angels help us even if we don't notice?
 - We don't know for certain what angels look like, but people have many different ideas! What do you think they look like?
- Give each person a paper plate and two googly eyes.
- Place the other supplies where everyone can reach them.
- Encourage the kids to be creative and make something to show what they think an angel might look like.
- Direct everyone to stick a Big Idea label on the back of their craft.
- Invite the kids to show one another their completed angels.



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My Story

5 | Wrap-Up Activity

SUPPLIES

- Key Verse sign
- Wall-safe tape
- Beach ball

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY

- Place the Key Verse sign where everyone can see it easily.

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Gather everyone together in a large circle.
- b. Say the first word in Romans 8:38 ("I"), then toss the beach ball to someone.
- c. As the kids receive the ball and pass it to someone else, prompt them to say the next word in the Key Verse.
- d. Practise a few times, then see if your group can do it without the sign.

Our Story

6 | Dismissal

SUPPLIES

- Crafts
- Take-home cards
- Key Verse cards
- Key Verse colouring pages

LEADER TIP

- Organize the take-home materials so they're easy to access. It may be helpful to sort them before the lesson, then set out any crafts later. Consider having one leader focus on handing out everything.

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Greet parents as they arrive to pick up their kids. Take a moment to share a highlight or two from your time together today.
- b. Give everyone a weekly take-home card.
- c. Offer a Key Verse card and a colouring page to anyone who has not gotten them this month.
- d. Remind the kids to take their crafts.
- e. Make sure their security numbers match before they leave your group's space.