# LESSON 5 "LOVE" (page 1)



# **BIBLE CONNECTION**

2 Timothy 3:16 (page 1320)

# CHARACTER WORD

<u>Love</u> - A great affection of the mind and heart

# **TEACHING OBJECTIVE**

I can know God <u>loves</u> me because He gave me the Bible, His word.

# **MEMORY LINK**

**Psalm 119:11** "Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You." (KBC Study Bible pg. 643)

# SUPPLIES NEEDED THIS WEEK

GET CONNECTED Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters

MEMORY LINK ACTIVITY Option 1: Construction paper,

scissors, marker **Option 2:** None

### BIBLE CONNECTION Resource item; map, GPS, or

personal cards or letters you received in the mail

# SURF TEAM LEADER

Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages index cards, pens

### MAKE-IT-STICK REVIEW GAME Option 1: Construction paper Option 2: Bibles

# Bible 101

# WHAT'S THE POINT?

As we shared last week on Great Treasure Day, many children do not attend church. Some may not have ever seen a Bible. There may even be some who don't know who the One True God is. Now that each student has his or her own KBC Study Bible, we want them to read from God's word how much He <u>loves</u> them by providing a way to get to know Him through His son, Jesus Christ. We want them to understand this is God's <u>love</u> letter to them and that He desires to have a personal relationship with each and every one of them.

It is vital that all of the leadership bring their Bible to Beach Club every week. This will reinforce what you are teaching and show them that you, too, <u>love</u> God's word and it is special and very important to you as a believer.

# **GET CONNECTED**



Building relationships in Surf Teams; introducing today's lesson.

Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters

Today you will lead your Surf Team in an icebreaker to get to know them. Start the activity as soon as they start arriving.

Use the following conversation prompts to get to know the students in your Surf Team and to introduce today's lesson.

- Our Character Word today is <u>love</u>. What does it mean to <u>love</u> someone or something?
- Name some people you love and who love you.
- We will be sharing with you how God <u>loves</u> us so much that He gave us His word to show us how we can have a relationship with Him.

Guide students to locate and mark today's Bible Connection and Memory Link in their Bibles so they can find the pages quickly as directed in the session.

# Worship Tip

This week our Character Word is <u>love</u>. Look for songs that remind us that God speaks through His word, the Bible, or songs that have Bible verses in them. Find other helpful tips located on pages 16-17 in the KBC Leadership Manual Volume 2: Beach Club Essentials.

# **MEMORY LINK**



Teach a Bible verse to students; help them memorize the verse.

### No supplies needed

### Focus on the Bible

Today we are going to read Psalm 119:11. This verse tells us that when we memorize God's word we are hiding it in our heart. God has a special plan for each and every one of us. He <u>loves</u> us so much that He gave us the Bible, His word, so we could know how to live and <u>love</u> others just like He <u>loves</u> us. The way we do that is by reading and memorizing scripture. The more we read the Bible, the more we learn about God and how to make right choices, how not to sin and about His great <u>love</u> for each of us.

### **Option 1 - HIDDEN HEARTS**

### Construction paper, scissors, marker

### Prepare

For each Surf Team, cut a set of hearts out of construction paper and write each word of the Memory Link on each heart.

Have each Surf Team sit in a circle. Surf Team leaders should place hearts in the middle of the circle facing down. Let students turn them over and place the words of the verse in order. Repeat this process again without the verse on display until students know it. Variation: allow each student to take a turn putting it in order by themselves.

### **Option 2 - ACT IT OUT**

### No supplies needed

Use hand motions to teach the memory link. *Your word* (hold your hands out together like a book) *I have hidden* (put your hands over your face like you're hiding) *in my heart* (put your hands together to make a heart and place over your heart) *that I might not sin* (make an "X" by crossing your arms in front of you) *against You* (point to God).

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**LESSON 5** 

"Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You." (KBC Study Bible pg. 643)

# **Teaching Tip**

If you have extra Bibles, have them ready with the Bible verse marked and placed in Surf Team groups so that students can read the words with you.

# **Teaching Tip**

You can find quick tips for managing student behavior in the KBC Leadership Manual Volume 2: Beach Club Essentials (pages 30-33). Here is one simple tip - ask what behavior management cues and reminders your school uses and implement them in your club. Using what the kids already know will help facilitate greater success in correct behavior.

# **BIBLE CONNECTION**



Teaching today's Character Word through a gospel-centered Bible story.

Resource item; Map, GPS, personal cards or letters received in the mail

# Introduce the Story

The Bible is divided into two parts: Old Testament and New Testament. Bible means "book," but the Bible is not just one book. It is actually made up of 66 books written by many different authors. Turn to the table of contents and hold it so all can see. The Bible is called God's word because it is the work of both men and God. The Old Testament contains 39 books and the New Testament contains 27. Each book has chapters and verses. We call this the scripture reference. We learned during our Memory Link time that this is like your home address that tells you exactly where to find a specific verse. Show the students the KBC Study Bible while you talk about it.

All the stories we will teach you are part of the Bible's one BIG story. Read this word for me: HIStory (resource). God's word is wonderful history and it is HIS story! The Bible was written a very long time ago, but everything it says is just as true today as it was back then.

If you want to drive all the way across the country, what could you study to know which way to go? That's right, a map or a GPS. The Bible is a book that is much like a road map. God wants to give us direction for every part of our lives. But just like a map, if we do not use it, study it and keep looking at it often, it can't help us. The Bible is full of knowledge and truth that can help us daily. It is a book that teaches us the truth about God's <u>love</u> and how to make right choices. It tells us what God has done for us and what we should do in response to Him.

# 2 Timothy 3:16 🛄

Ask a volunteer to come to the front and read this verse from your KBC Study Bible. All scripture was given by inspiration of God, which means that all scripture was written by God. He told the men what to write.

### **Bible Background**

The first five books of the Old Testament are called "The Law." It starts with how God created the world and the instructions He gave to His people to take care of His world by following the laws.

The Bible contains poetry, wisdom and books written by men that God called prophets. Prophets were God's messengers that encouraged people to worship God and follow Him. God also gave some prophets the ability to tell the future. For example, one prophet told the people about Jesus Christ who would come to Earth and be their Savior.

Between the Old Testament and the New Testament, there were hundreds of years when God was silent. The New Testament broke the silence when God announced the birth of baby Jesus, God's one and only Son.

The first four books of the New Testament are called the gospels (which means good news). Other books in the New Testament were written by Christian leaders who wrote letters to churches giving them instructions and encouraging them for loving God.

The last book in the New Testament, Revelation, tells us of the future that God has planned for us!

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# Teaching Tip

Some of the kids in your club may not have many friends or they may think they don't have any friends. They may be rejected by their peers, bullied or abused. They may feel unimportant or ignored. Make sure EVERY child in your Beach Club knows they have a friend in you. Make them feel valued by listening to them and giving them your full attention, even for just a few minutes.

### Talk About It

How many of you like to receive a letter or card in the mail? Me too. Well, think of God's word, the Bible, as His <u>love</u> letter to us. It's personal and yet it applies to each and every one of us.

### Application

Because He <u>loves</u> us, God gave us His word, the Bible, to show us how to live and how to have a personal relationship with Him. He wants to be our forever friend.

### **Gospel Connection**

Remember this: The Old Testament tells us about someone who would come to save us. The New Testament is about Jesus, the savior that God promised us in the Old Testament. From the first book to the last, we see God's great <u>love</u> for us and His plan to forgive us of our sin.

Has anyone ever had a wrong thought or said something mean or disobeyed your parents? Sure. We all have. The Bible calls that sin and tells us that because we have sinned, our sin separates us from God. This year in Beach Club, we will learn about how God <u>loves</u> us so much that He sent His Son Jesus to earth to take the place of our sins. He died on a cross, was buried and then rose to go live in Heaven with God, His father. The good news is this: God wants all of us to live with Him one day too, forever! He wants to be your forever friend. All you need to do is ASK God to forgive your sin and come into your life. Next, BELIEVE that Jesus died on the cross to pay the punishment for your sin. Then CHOOSE TO FOLLOW Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Invite students wanting to know more about praying to ask Jesus to be their forever friend to move to the designated counseling area to talk with a leader one on one. Be sure to have all the decision supplies available.

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# **Teaching Tip**

Kids <u>love</u> mail. This week, send cards to the kids in your Surf Team letting them know you're thinking of them and welcoming them to Beach Club. It's all about relationships! Sending cards at special times reminds kids how much you care about them.

# **Teaching Tip**

Know the A-B-Cs. Today may be the first time a studnet has heard the A-B-Cs of salvation explained to them. We have a document that is available to you as a resource on the Club Leader Tools area of the KBC website: kidsbeachclub.org. Please be sure you download this in advance and have it printed to use weekly during Beach Club.

# **Gospel Tip**

Our focus is God's word. As you teach them lessons from the Old Testament, tell kids that each story is true and points to Jesus, our Savior, in the New Testament. Tell them how to treasure God's word as a special <u>love</u> letter to them that reveals God's great <u>love</u> and plan for their life.

# SURF TEAM TIME

Connecting with kids in small groups; applying today's Bible Connection and Character Word.



Memory Link cards, index cards, pens, Hang 10 pages

# **Gospel Connection**

Before you begin, ask if there are any students who would like to talk with the Bible connection leader about praying to ask Jesus to become their forever friend. If so, let them go to the designated area.

# **Today's Lesson**

- What are some things you learned today that you never knew?
- What does today's Memory Link tell us about the Bible? How does the Bible apply to us?
- How many of you have a Bible? How many of you don't have one or may not have ever seen one?
- Encourage kids to find a Bible at home and begin getting familiar with it. Encourage kids to bring a Bible (if they have one) to Beach Club each week.
- If you run out of questions then simply use this time to talk about your Bible and what it means to you personally or show them the KBC Study Bible up close.

# Use the Bible

Give each child a Memory Link card. Review today's memory link and Character Word. Remind kids that they will get their very own KBC Study Bible in a few weeks. If they brought a Bible or have one at home, guide kids to use cards to mark today's story in their Bible. Lead them to highlight today's Memory Link.

### Hang 10 Pages

Give each child a Hang 10 page. Challenge kids to hang out with God 10 minutes each day by praying and reading the Bible, using the Hang 10 page as a guide. Encourage kids to bring back their Hang 10 pages next week.

Look at Day 3 of the Hang 10 page and read Proverbs 30:5.

Remind students that memorizing scripture is a great way to learn more about God's great love for them and how He wants to help them make right choices. Ask them to make a commitment to memore your Memory Link each week. Recite the verse to a family member each day.

### Pray

Give the kids a few minutes to share their prayer requests or write them on index cards. Ask a child to lead the group in prayer. Take the cards home and remember to pray for the kids in your surf team this week.

Jesus, we thank You that You <u>love</u> us enough to be the perfect sacrifice for our sins and that You are the only way our sins are forgiven. Thank You for being a Savior that also wants to be our forever friend. Amen.

# **Teaching Tip**

Every week, you are modeling friendship to children at a public school. As a Surf Team leader, you are positioned to be a true friend to the students in your Surf Team. Yes, you are in a mentorship or leadership role, but consider the definition of friendship: knowing, liking and accepting other people just the way they are. Make the most of your opportunity to be a friend in the life of your students.

# MAKE IT STICK - REVIEW GAME

Game to review today's Bible Connection & Character Word.

# **Option 1 - BIBLE BASEBALL**

### Construction paper

### Prepare

Out of construction paper, create a set of bases, home plate and pitcher's mound for each Surf Team. You may also buy a craft foam set at your local dollar store.

Instruct kids to line up behind home plate. The Surf Team leader is the pitcher and asks the review questions. The first student steps up to the plate and if the correct answer is given, he/she moves to first base. Continue asking questions until all questions have been answered. The first Surf Team to finish wins the game.

# **Option 2 - BIBLE PASS**

### One Bible for each Surf Team

Instruct students to sit in a circle with their Surf Team. Begin by passing the Bible to the student to your left. Let them hold the Bible while you ask the question. If the student can not answer the question, he or she should pass the Bible to the next person (or they can ask their team for help). Once they answer the question, instruct them to pass it to the student to their left and ask the next question. Continue passing the Bible clockwise until all questions have been asked.

# **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

- 1. Why do we call this a Beach Club? (Because a beach is a fun place to hang out and find treasure)
- 2. How many parts is the Bible divided into? (Two)
- 3. What are the two parts of the Bible called? (Old Testament and New Testament)
- 4. How many books are there in the Bible? (66)
- 5. Who wrote the Bible? (God)
- 6. Why did God write the Bible? (To show us how much He <u>loves</u> us; to show us how to live; to show us how to have a personal relationship with Him...)
- 7. Where is our Memory Link found? (Psalm 119:11)
- 8. Why should we memorize scripture according to Psalm 119:11? (So we won't sin against God.)
- 9. The Bible is God's \_\_\_\_\_to us. (Love letter)
- 10. What is something new you learned about God today?

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# **Teaching Tip**

Sometimes during review question time we focus on only one person at a time, leaving the other students to zone out or get in trouble until it's their turn. Think of ways to involve and engage all students in the review activities or give each of them a role, like crossing off which questions have been asked, or setting up the game again for the next student.

# "Your word have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You." Psalm 119:11

