

LESSON 20
"CONFIDENCE"
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BIBLE CONNECTION

Acts 12:1-17 (pgs. 1201-1202)

CHARACTER WORD

Confidence - Trust; a feeling of assurance or certainty

TEACHING OBJECTIVE

I can have confidence in God even in hard times.

MEMORY LINK

Isaiah 41:10a

*"Fear not, for I am with you...
I will strengthen you,
Yes, I will help you."*

(KBC Study Bible pg. 768)

**SUPPLIES NEEDED
THIS WEEK**

GET CONNECTED

None

MEMORY LINK ACTIVITY

Option 1: Hula hoop

Option 2: None

BIBLE CONNECTION

*Confidence Pictures
(Resources)*

SURF TEAM LEADER

Memory link cards, Hang 10 pages, Index cards, pens

**MAKE-IT-STICK
REVIEW GAME**

Option 1: A door, in or near your room

Option 2: Beach balls

Peter Miraculously Escapes Prison

WHAT'S THE POINT?

Having confidence in someone means that you firmly believe what he says and you trust him to keep his promises. It is hard to have confidence in someone based on words alone. Seeing words combined with action increases your confidence and trust in that person. God's Word, the Bible, is full of promises from God. It is also full of real examples of God's faithfulness in action in keeping His promises. That combination of words and actions become the firm foundation of confidence in God.

When difficult times come, build your confidence in God by looking to God's word for reassurance. Read God's promises and trust Him to keep them. Read stories about heroes of the faith to see evidence of God's power in action, boosting your confidence more. Then, look at your own life and see how God has carried you through in the past. Reflecting on what God has done for you in the past can further increase your confidence that He will keep His promise to you today.

In today's Bible story, things looked bleak for Peter. He was in jail with little hope of release. The other believers remained at home and prayed earnestly and confidently for God to rescue Peter. God responded in a miraculous way, boosting the believer's confidence even more. Through your most difficult times, you, too, can pray with confidence in God and trust Him to perform miracles in your life.

GET CONNECTED

Building relationships in Surf Teams; introducing today's lesson



No supplies needed

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

- *Today's character word is confidence. What does confidence mean?*
- *In today's Bible story, you'll hear about a man who had a difficult time. What difficult things do kids your age face?*
- *How can having confidence help you during difficult times?*
- *What does it mean to have confidence in God?*



Guide clubbers 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

Today's character word is confidence. God has called you to serve in beach club as a worship leader, so do it with confidence! God will strengthen you and help you. Make sure your words, facial expressions and body language reflect the confidence you have in God. When you lead out confidently, the kids will naturally follow and respond. Additionally, you will build confidence in kids when you give them opportunities to participate as worship leaders, too!

MEMORY LINK



Teach a Bible verse to clubbers; help them memorize the verse

No supplies needed

Focus on the Bible

Direct kids who brought their Bibles to hold them high in the air. Guide kids to find in their KBC Study Bible each of the four gospel books in order: Matthew (page 1023), Mark (page 1070), Luke (page 1100) and John (1148). Remind kids that the gospel books tell the story of Jesus' life on earth. Challenge kids to find the first page of the book that follows John (Acts, page 1183). Explain that the book of Acts was written to tell about the ACT-ions of Jesus' followers after Jesus ascended into Heaven. Use "Digging In" on page 1183 to share with the kids additional information about the book of Acts.

Focus on today's Memory Link

Often, the very first Christians were afraid. Many people didn't believe the true things they said about Jesus. They would have to hide for their own safety, some were put in jail, and many were even killed for sharing the good news about Jesus. Many of them remembered God's promises they had learned from scripture. One of those promises is today's Memory Link. Guide the kids to find Isaiah 41:10 in their KBC Study Bible (page 768) and ask a volunteer to read it aloud. *Imagine you were one of the first believers in Jesus and afraid for your life. How would this verse give you confidence? (Answers will vary.) Like those believers, you too, can have confidence in God when you face difficult times because He is always with you.*

Option 1 - STEP IN IT

Hula hoop

Place the hula hoop on the floor and guide your surf team to stand in a circle around the hula hoop. Select one child to go first. She will step into the hoop and say the first word of the verse (Fear) and step back out. The person to her right steps in and says the next word (not) and steps out. Continue around the circle until the entire verse and reference has been recited. After the verse is completed, repeat the game increasing speed. Challenge kids to see how quickly they can recite the verse in this way.

Option 2 - ACT IT OUT

No supplies needed

Give the surf teams a few minutes to come up with motions that act out or demonstrate the words of today's Memory Link. After groups have had time to practice, call on each surf team and allow them to demonstrate their motions to the rest of the clubbers. You may reward the team that does the best job by giving them bonus tickets.

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Teaching Tip

Remind the kids that the Memory Link is always found in God's Word, the Bible. Be sure that you always read the scripture from the KiDs Beach Club Bible to reinforce to the kids that they have access to God's Word just like you do.

Teaching Tip

Today's Memory Link contains ellipses, which are three dots that indicate part of the verse was left out. Help kids understand the removed words don't change the meaning of the verse, but make it shorter for memorization. Always guide kids to read memory links containing ellipses in full from the Bible so they understand the entire verse. It's also good to read the verses before and after so kids see the verse context and can better understand the meaning of the verse.

SURF TEAM TIME

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



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Memory Link Cards, Hang 10 page, Index cards, pens

Gospel Connection

Before you begin, ask if there are any clubbers 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 questions do you have about today's story?*
- *What examples of confidence did you see in today's story?*
- *How is having confidence in people different than having confidence in God?*
- *How does praying to God help you have confidence in Him?*
- *What does it mean to have confidence in God in difficult times?*

Pray

Explain that like the people in the story prayed for Peter, the kids in your surf team will pray for each other. Lead the kids to choose partners. Guide partners to each share one prayer request and pray for each other. After a few minutes, lead the kids in a group prayer to close your prayer time. Collect prayer requests on index cards and remember to pray for kids this week.

Use the Bible

Give each child a Memory Link card. Review today's Memory Link and Character Word. Guide kids to use cards to mark today's story in their KBC Study Bibles. 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 page next week.

More at Home

Draw kids' attention to the tip-in pages "Spending Time with God" (between pages 242-245) in the KBC Study Bible. Explain that spending time with God and learning His word will help them to boost their confidence in Him. Challenge the kids to spend time with God every day.

Teaching Tip

Today's lesson is a wonderful opportunity to reinforce to kids the power of prayer. God wants us to pray for others with confidence. He always hears and answers the prayers of His people. Remind the kids that they can have confidence in you to pray for them. Earn their confidence by praying for them and following up on the things they ask you to pray about. Even with the beach club year coming to a close, continue over the summer months to pray for the kids in your Surf Team. Set a reminder to help you keep that commitment to pray for your Beach Club kids.

Teaching Tip

The KiDs Beach Club® Summer Reading Plan is a great way for kids to continue good habits of spending time with God every day. The plan runs in the months of June, July and August. For details, watch KBC's social media accounts on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram at @KiDsBeachClub.



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