

Day 3 - Confidence



Bible Story: The Lost Sheep | Luke 15:3-7; The Lost Coin | Luke 15:8-10

Bottom Line: I can find confidence when I trust Jesus!

Memory Verse: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6

READ

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³ Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ "Suppose someone among you had one hundred sheep and lost one of them. Wouldn't he leave the other ninety-nine in the pasture and search for the lost one until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he is thrilled and places it on his shoulders. ⁶ When he arrives home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Celebrate with me because I've found my lost sheep.' ⁷ In the same way, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who changes both heart and life than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need to change their hearts and lives.

⁸ "Or what woman, if she owns ten silver coins and loses one of them, won't light a lamp and sweep the house, searching her home carefully until she finds it? ⁹ When she finds it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Celebrate with me because I've found my lost coin.' ¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, joy breaks out in the presence of God's angels over one sinner who changes both heart and life."

WATCH

Go to resurrection.church/vbc to watch Day 3 of Wild Kingdom-Trust Leads the Way!

CREATE

Supplies: Paper with "I Am" written at the top, markers or crayons

Do:

- Talk about what it means to have confidence.
- Have kids write “I am” at the top of their paper.
- Underneath the I am statement have kids write a few things they are good at. Ex. I am . . . smart, funny, a good friend.
- Let them decorate their papers.
- Ask kids to share what they drew or wrote.

Say: “Are there times when you feel unsure about whether you can do something? Like doing well at a sport or asking someone new to do something with you. Confidence is choosing to believe in yourself when you’re unsure, because you trust in Jesus. It helps to think about the things we know we can do well and then we can ask Jesus to give us confidence when we feel unsure.

Have you ever watched a gorilla at the zoo? They seem so strong and sure of themselves! Think about the things you are good at. Are you funny, smart, a good friend? Write the words ‘I am’ on your paper and then write or draw things you are good at.”

REMEMBER

Write each word from the memory verse on a piece of paper. Mix the papers up and put the memory verse back in order. Then, using a confident, strong voice read the verse out loud.

ACTIVITY

Review “The Lost Sheep and Coin” Bible story. When finished have one person hide coins around your home (you can use real or pretend coins).

Say: “There are coins hidden all through our house for you to find and bring back to me. When all the coins have been found ask these questions:

Have you ever lost something?

How did it make you feel?

If you found it, how did you feel when you found it?

Jesus told the stories of the lost sheep and the lost coin because he wanted you to know just how important you are to him. He loves you so much that if you ever feel lost or unsure he will find you. You can have confidence knowing that Jesus loves you and is always there for you. Then you can choose to believe in yourself when you’re unsure, because you trust in Jesus.”

PRAY

Dear Jesus, thank you for our family and the time we get to spend together learning about your love for us. You are so good to us, and we know that you will always be there for us. Because of your love we can choose to believe in ourselves and have confidence even when we’re unsure. We love you, Amen.