BUZZ | INSTANT SUNDAY SCHOOL



SAME LEVEL: Pre-K & K (Ages 5 & 6)

13 Bible stories when Jesus walked on earth

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Discover Buzz—the instant Sunday school where all you prepare is your heart.





All you prepare is your heart!

Volunteers love it because it's easy. Kids love it because it's different every week. YOU'LL love it because...

- Buzz is perfect for busy volunteers. Since all they prepare is their heart, you'll never burn them out.
- Buzz keeps kids' attention with Bible stories they haven't heard before—those less often told but just as memorable. Children learn in their own style, and they choose which way the lesson goes.
- You simply open the box and go. Teachers follow the lesson step by step, experiencing God's Word together with the kids.

Group's Buzz Sunday school curriculum gives you everything you need to be a super success. And best of all, you'll bring kids closer to Jesus!



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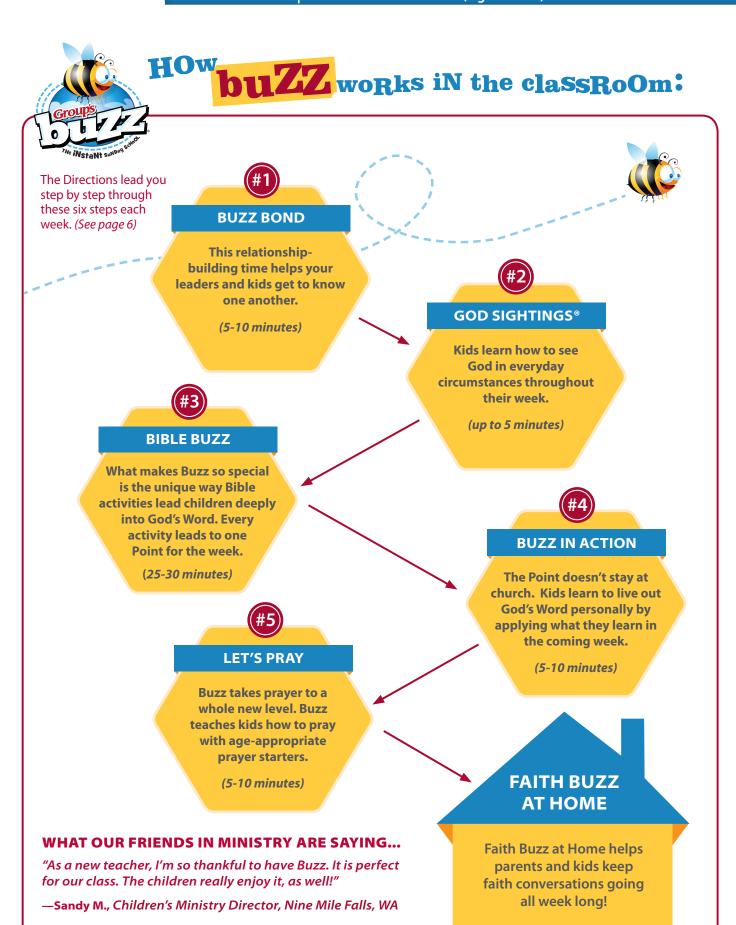


SEE WHY **BUZZ** WILL WORK FOR YOU!

- **5 AGE LEVELS:** Preschool, Pre-K&K, Grades 1&2, Grades 3&4, Grades 5&6
- SCOPE AND SEQUENCE: 2 years
- FORMAT: Classroom setting
- LENGTH: 45 60 minutes



Check out this 2-minute overview.



THEME:

Flip Flops 13 Bible stories when Jesus walked on earth

(each age level has a new theme each quarter)

Week 13: May 26

Jesus is Transfigured LUKE 9:28-36 We're amazed by God's power.

What the Bible Says

Jesus led Peter, John, and James to the top of a mountain to pray. While they prayed, the appearance of Jesus' face was transformed, and his clothes turned a dazzling white. Suddenly, Elijah and Moses appeared, and Jesus spoke with them about his upcoming death in Jerusalem. The disciples had fallen asleep, but when they awoke, Peter was overcome by what he saw. He blurted out that they should make shelters for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah, but even as he talked, a cloud covered them all. A voice came out of the cloud and said: "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him." Then Elijah and Moses disappeared.

What It Means

Peter, James, and John were three of Jesus' closest friends among the disciples. In Mark 5, these were the three who came with him to heal Jairus' daughter. Jesus invited these three men to pray with him in the Garden of Gethsemane. It's interesting to note that the reason Jesus and his friends climbed the mountain in this passage was the same—to pray. Also interesting—his friends fell asleep both times. The cloud on top of this mountain wasn't an ordinary cloud. It was the Shekinah glory, which is the glory and presence of God. It was the cloud that was written about in the Old Testament: "The cloud covered the Tabernacle, and the glory

of the Lord filled the Tabernacle" (Exodus 40:34). When Jesus' face transformed and his clothes became dazzling white, it didn't mean that he wasn't human or that he had become a ghost. What happened was that on the mountain Jesus was filled with this Shekinah glory. The same thing happened to Moses in Exodus 34, after he had been in the presence of the cloud of God. And here was Moses again, finally in the Promised Land of Israel he had never been able to enter. The whole experience was mystifying to the disciples. According to the passage, Peter didn't even know what he was saying.

Why It Matters

This is definitely one of those events of Jesus' life on earth that is difficult to imagine. It must have been difficult for the disciples as well. In fact, Luke records that "terror gripped them." And yet it happened. Sometimes, we have experiences with God that are difficult to interpret. It would be nice to have a voice from the clouds come and help us understand difficult experiences. But too often the situation simply remains "cloudy"! When we experience the voice of God, it's always important to use Scripture, prayer, and the wisdom of Christian men and women to help us understand what is being said.

PREPARE THEIR HEARTS

Leaders dig into each week's passage and apply it to their lives on an adult level.



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Pray that your kids will see God in awesome ways. Write your prayer here.

PRAY Leaders pray for their kids during the week.

God Sightings®

This week, stand in awe of God. Look for the things that God does to show his power and majesty in your life. See the amazing things he does even in simple, everyday events. When you see those things, resist the trap Peter fell into of feeling the need to act. Just enjoy God's glory, and give him your praise by reflecting on his power and awesomeness.

GOD SIGHTINGS®

Leaders look for God each week—then share with kids.

Directions

WHAT YOU NEED EACH WEEK

WHAT YOU NEED

Leaders find every supply they'll need and it's all in the box!



WEEKLY DEVOTIONS FOR LEADERS

Before class, read this week's devotion to prepare your heart! (2 copies per kit)



Flip Flops Box





Bible Buzz Cards Booklet



Let's Pray Footprints



Buzz Bond Cards



Buzz Springster



Faith Buzz at Home Card Set





Emotigon



Flip Flops CD



Buzz in Action Board



Wikki Stix



Key Verse Lyrics Sheet



2 Flip Flops



Oil Pastels

YOU'LL NEED THESE CLASSROOM SUPPLIES:

○ Bibles ○ CD player ○ tape ○ pencils Ocrayons Oglue Oscissors Opaper



SUPPLIES

These are the only outside supplies you'll ever need. It's that simple!



WHAT YOU DO EACH WEEK



Don't skip a step!

Before Class: Prepare Your Heart

(5 to 10 minutes)

Open the Leader Devotions booklet , and read the Leader Devotion for this week.



Part I: Buzz Bond Where kids connect

(5 to 10 minutes)

- Spread out several Buzz Bond Cards ******* .
- 2 Have the child wearing the most red roll the Emotigon onto the cards.
- Follow the instructions on the card the Emotigon [25] landed on, and lead kids
- Got extra time? Do it again, choosing a different child to roll.

IT'S SIMPLE

Step-by-step directions make it easy for leaders to pick up and go, and the steps remain the same all quarter to keep things super simple.

Part 2: God Sightings® Where kids see God at work

(up to 5 minutes)

- Have kids repeat one of the Key Verses below phrase by phrase:
 - March 3-31: "Jesus told her, "'I am the resurrection and the life." (John 11:25) (song: CD track 6)
 - April 7-28: "Worship Christ as the LORD of your life." (1 Peter 3:15) (song: CD track 2)
 - May 5-26: "At the name of Jesus every knee should bow." (Philippians 2:10) (song: CD track 11)
- Lead kids in singing the Key Verse song on the CD . Refer to the song lyrics on the Key Verse Lyrics Sheet . .
- 3 To help kids look for God all the time, tell about a time this week you saw God at work in your life. Then encourage kids to share stories of their own.

KEY VERSE

Each week, kids learn a Bible verse. The key verse songs on the CD help these Scriptures stick.



BIBLE BUZZ CARDS

Kids experience the Bible story five different ways. And kids get to choose what comes next, so they're never bored.

Part 3: Bible Buzz Where kids dig into the Bible

(25 to 30 minutes)

- Open the Bible Buzz Cards Booklet to the five cards with the date closest to today.
- Tear out all five different Bible Buzz
 Cards for today's Bible lesson.
 Spread out the cards, picture down.
- 3 First, follow the directions on the Bible Buzz Card with the icon to lead kids in an amazing experience with the Bible.
- 4 Launch the Buzz Springster by pushing it down, holding it above the base of the bee, then releasing it. The child it lands closest to gets to choose the next Bible Buzz Card to experience.
- **5** Lead children by following the instructions on the Bible Buzz Card the child chooses.
- 6 You've got three more cards to go, so repeat steps 4 and 5.

Part 4: Buzz in Action Where kids apply what they've learned

(5 to 10 minutes)

- Read the Point from the Bible Buzz Cards .
- 2 Have kids sit in a circle around the Buzz in Action Board ...
- 3 Pass the Flip Flops around the circle while playing "The Power!" (track 15) on the CD ...
- 4 Stop the CD , then have the child holding the Flip Flops of drop them.
- in Action Board based on the way the Flip Flops land. If more than one space describes how the Flip Flops land, you may choose either activity.
- 6 Got more time? Do it again!

Part 5: Let's Pray Where kids talk to God

- Spread out the Let's Pray Footprints in a circular path. You'll need exactly one more footprint than the number of children you have.
- Have kids each stand in front of a footprint.
- 3 Play the Key Verse song as kids walk around the circle.

(5 minutes)

- 4 Stop the song after about 20 seconds.
- 5 Determine which Let's Pray Footprint doesn't have a child in front of it.
- **6** Lead kids in praying based on the prayer topic on the footprint.
- **7** Got more time? Do it again!

Part 6: Faith Buzz at Home where kids take it home

(2 minutes)

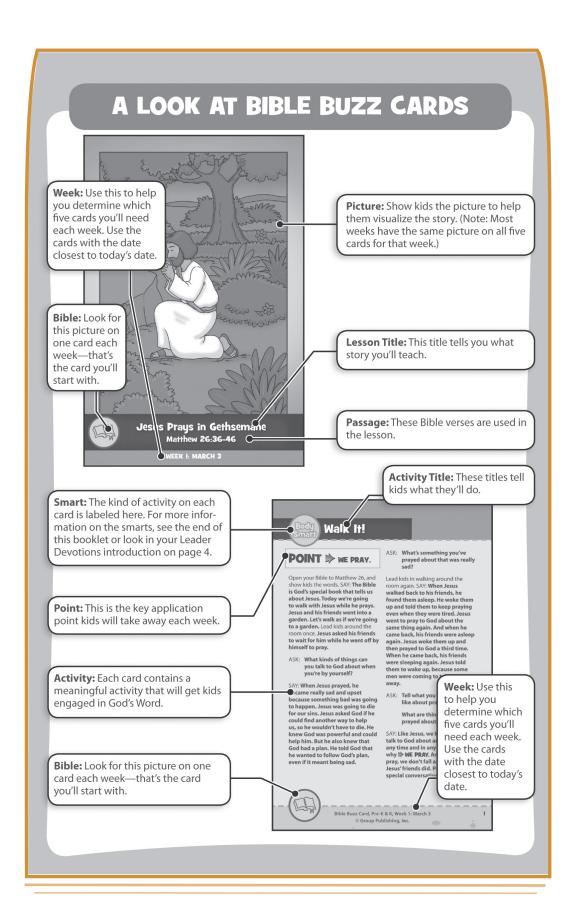
- Find the sheet of Faith Buzz at Home Cards with the date closest to today.
- 2 Rip the cards apart, and distribute one to each child.
- 3 As you distribute each Faith Buzz at Home Card , encourage kids to show it to their parents so they can use the card in a fun way to talk about the Bible story.

FAITH BUZZ AT HOME

Each child will get a Faith Buzz at Home card each week to take the fun and meaningful faith growth home. Now included in kit!



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"SMARTS"

Throughout the five cards each week, kids will use different "smarts" to dig into the Bible. You can reach all learners with these great activities!



POINT WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER.

Open your Bible to Luke 9, and show kids the words. SAY: The Bible is God's special book that tells us about Jesus. Today we're going to walk with Jesus, Peter, John, and James up onto a mountain to pray. While they were there, something amazing happened. Jesus' face and clothes changed. Jesus' clothes became dazzling white—Jesus looked like he was shining. Let's see if you can find some things that **shine on our cards!** Have kids look for three things that shine hidden on the back of each of this week's Bible Buzz Cards. (Answers: night light, firefly, glow stick, star, flashlight, lighthouse, candle, moon, light bulb.) Some cards have repeated items.

SAY: Then, while Jesus was shining, Moses and Elijah, some men who lived a long time before Jesus, showed up right there with Jesus. The way Jesus changed was so amazing that Peter wanted to build shelters—little houses to celebrate Moses, Elijah, and Jesus. As Jesus' friends watched these amazing things, God spoke through a cloud. God said, "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him." Then Moses and Elijah were gone, and Jesus was standing alone.

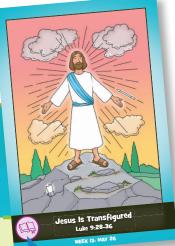
ASK: What did I just tell you that shows that Jesus is powerful?

Which part do you wish you could see for yourself?

What have you seen that shows you Jesus' power?

SAY: The way Jesus' face changed was amazing! We can see Jesus' power in all kinds of ways today! Let's go on a hunt for things that can remind us of God's power, such as things that use electricity or things that look strong. Lead children on a hunt in your church building, having them point out anything that reminds them of God's power.

SAY: What great ways to remind us of how powerful Jesus is! And he's more powerful than anything else! That's why WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER.



ICONS

Look for the Bible icon on each week's set of five cards to know where to start. Kids will experience the full Bible story on this card.



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POINT WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER.

SAY: Jesus' face changed in a very powerful way. And WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER.

Lead children in singing and doing the motions for • "The Power!" (track 15) on the CD.

SING

Everybody come with me (wave hand as a welcome);

It's time to sing (point to wrist)

About Jesus' power all around me.

(Make muscles.)

We gotta let the whole world know (spread arms and spin in a circle.)

That Jesus Christ is on the throne! (Point up.)

(Chorus)

He's got the POWER! (Make muscles.) Everybody's talkin' 'bout his POWER! (Make muscles.)

Look up, look down, look all around (look each direction), And you will see his POWER! (Make muscles.)

(Repeat from the beginning; then repeat chorus.)

The power to be thankful! (echo) (Raise hands.)

The power to be brave! (echo) (Make muscles.)

The power to lend a helping hand! (echo) (Reach out a hand.)

To live forever, you know we can! (echo) (Jump up and down.)

(Repeat chorus 2x.)

Look up, look down, look all around (look each direction), And you will see his POWER! (Make muscles.) (Repeat.)

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ASK: What have you told other people about God's power?

What have you heard about God's power from other people?

SAY: It's probably hard to imagine exactly what Jesus looked like on the mountain that day, but we do know it was amazing to Jesus' friends. And WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER today, too. Let's tell other people about it!

DIGGING IN

Four more cards each week help kids dig further into the Scripture.

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POINT WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER.

ASK: What are some things that light up? How do they work?

What would life be like if these things didn't exist?

SAY: Let's play a game with and without lights. Have kids stand on one side of the room. Darken the room as much as you can without frightening the kids.

SAY: Right now the lights are off. When I turn them on and say "move," walk forward slowly. When I turn the lights off, stop where you are and stand as still as you can.

Play, turning the lights on and off several times until the kids have crossed the room.

ASK: How did the lights help you move better?

What helps you see God's power?

SAY: When Jesus was changed, he lit up and was shining. Jesus' light that day was much more amazing than the lights we see. Today, God helps us see his power in our lives. And WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Each week focuses on a practical application point.

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QUESTIONS

Activities are always

debriefed with

meaningful questions

that get kids thinking

and talking about faith.



POINT WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER.

If the weather is nice, lead kids to an area outside for this activity.

ASK: What are some things in nature that are powerful?

If kids are having trouble thinking of examples, suggest things such as the ocean, wind, big trees, large animals, lightning, and thunder.

What do you do when you see those things?

SAY: Some of the things we talked about could be a little scary. But listen to this. Read Psalm 93:4.

ASK: What does this verse tell you about God's power?

Explain whether you find God's power scary or exciting.

What about God's power amazes you?

SAY: God made some pretty powerful things. But since he made everything, he's more powerful than anything in nature! In the Bible, God showed his power by making Jesus look pretty amazing. The way Jesus' friends acted helps remind us that WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER.

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Change It!

POINT WE'RE

AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER.

grab them.

Kit supplies stand out so you can quickly

Give each child some Wikki Stix.

Stand in a circle with the kids.

SAY: Jesus' appearance changed right in front of Peter. We're going to use our Wikki Stix to change our appearance. When I say, "change," turn around so no one can see you. Then do something with your Wikki Stix to change the way you look. You can stick them to your clothes, your head, your body, or whatever you want to change your appearance. Ready? Change!

Give kids time to do something with the *Wikki Stix* to change the way they look. To make it even more fun for the kids, change your appearance, too.

Have kids turn around to face each other. SAY: **OK**, **let's see what's different with everyone. Take a look at each other and tell me what's different.**

Give kids a chance to say what's changed with everyone (including you); and then repeat as time allows.

ASK: What did you think of everyone's new appearance?

How did our changed looks remind you of Jesus' changed look?

What are some things about us that God can change?

SAY: Our Wikki Stix changes were fun and a little silly. But the change that happened to Jesus was amazing. He looked so amazing and unusual that his friends didn't even know how to react. Just like Peter, WE'RE AMAZED BY GOD'S POWER. And we know God can use that power to change us in amazing ways, too.

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FAitH OUZZ At hOme

The "take-homes" that actually make it HOME...
AND CHANGE FAMILIES!

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WEEK 13: MAY 26

We're amazed by God's power. Read: Luke 9:28-36

PICTURE SMART Transform It!

Ask everyone in your family to describe what this card looks like. Then get out some stickers, markers, and other fun craft supplies and transform it! When you're done, have your family describe the card's new look.

ASK: What do you think of our new card compared with the old one?

Based on what you heard about the way Jesus' appearance changed, why do you think his friends were so amazed?

What amazes you about God?

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Kids will be eager to initiate these game-like experiences that encourage faith conversations with their parents. These fun and simple weekly conversation pieces help families grow in faith together.

In each kit you'll get 13 sheets of 10 perforated cards—one for each week for up to 10 kids. Need more? Photocopy them on cardstock for your unexpected visitors to make sure everyone is included in bringing the faith conversation home!

Here's why we think you'll love the new Faith Buzz at Home Cards:

■ There's a new card every week—making it easy to give to every child!

- Reproducible cards means you'll never have to worry about running short if your attendance unexpectedly surges.*
- Faith Buzz at Home is more than just a family activity. The card itself becomes a gizmo as kids and their families use it in a playful way to unpack that week's truth.
- The cards are dated to make it ultra-easy to get the right week in each child's hands.
- * Note: We recommend using cardstock for photocopies, as many of the activities won't work on regular paper. On occasion, there may be some activities that will only work with the original printed card sheets.

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