



Small Groups



NOVEMBER - WEEK 2

Questions

Bottom Line: God knows what's best.

1. Why do you think Jonah ran from God's instructions?
2. What are some ways you've seen following God's ways grow goodness in your life or in the world?
3. God is always, always working for good in your life. How can you remember that when you don't want to do something He wants you to do?
4. Jonah didn't get it right the first time, and God gave him a second chance. What does that teach you about who God is?
5. Do you think it means more to God if you obey Him out of love or if you just obey Him?



ACTIVITY

Supplies Needed:

Spring type clothes pin
Crayons, markers or colored pencils
Glue or glue stick
Scissors

Instructions:

1. Color pattern of Jonah and Great Fish
2. Cut out the Fish and Jonah
3. Cut whale in half just above the vertical lines (see photo)
4. Line whale halves on clothes pin towards the end
5. Glue top half of whale on upper part of clothes pin
6. Glue bottom half of whale on lower part of clothes pin
7. Glue Jonah on the lower half of clothes pin behind the lower half of the whale

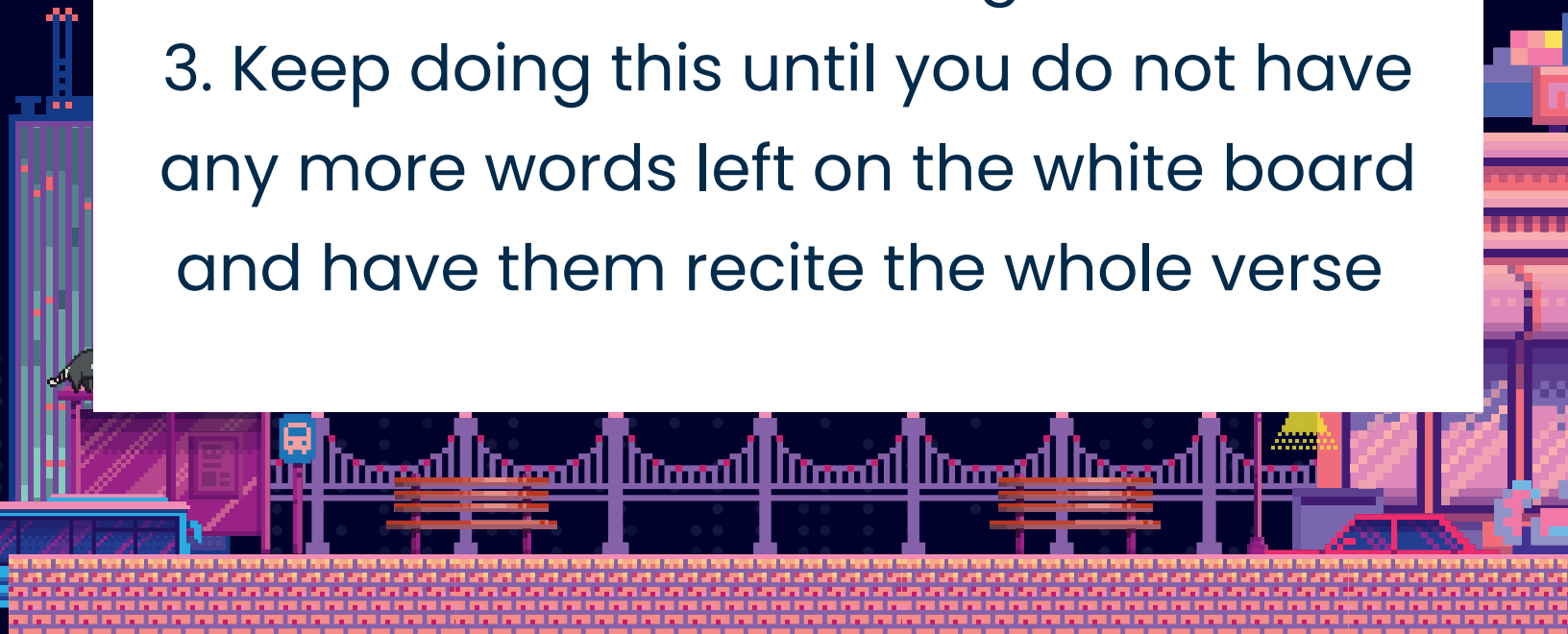


Memory Verse

“Those who trust in the Lord will receive new strength. They will fly as high as eagles. They will run and not get tired. They will walk and not grow weak.”

Isaiah 40:31

1. Write out the memory verse on a white board then have all the kids say it together.
2. Slowly remove a few of the words from the verse and have them recite the whole verse with the missing words.
3. Keep doing this until you do not have any more words left on the white board and have them recite the whole verse



Prayer time

1. Give each kid an index card and a pencil.
2. Invite the kids to write down a prayer request.
3. You can give a few ideas to spark their thinking: → **Wondering if you're going to make that sports team.** → **Nervous about standing up for a friend.** → **Something that God knows what's best and we're afraid to do it.**
4. Once everyone is finished, invite them to place their index card in the bag.
5. Tell kids you will take cards home and pray for them during the week
6. Close your group in prayer.

Pray out

God thank you for this day! Thank you for all the blessings you have given us and the opportunity to be in a small group together.

Remind us that you know what's best. Whenever we make a decision this week I pray we know, your way is better.

