

CONNECT TIME

Greet kids by name and play table games as kids arrive. Be sure to welcome any new families. Ask kids: **Have you ever had an experience where someone tried to take credit for something you did? How did it make you feel?**



MANY LANGUAGES

Start by 9:20/10:45

Create groups of 2-4 kids. Give each group one provided sets of cards. Direct groups to shuffle the cards and spread them out in rows with the pictures face down. Challenge kids to take turns flipping over two cards, one at a time, to find a matching set. If a kid finds a matching set, encourage him to collect the set, place it to the side, and go again. If no match is found, the cards are placed back in their original spots and the next kid gets a turn. Once all matches have been found, direct kids to count their matches. The kid with the most matches in each group wins.

Through our story today, we will learn how people began to speak different languages and spread out all around the world. One day, God will gather people from all over the world who have trusted in Jesus to worship Him forever. God is great and deserves all worship.

START BY 9:30/10:55

REVIEW [

BE, LISTEN, FOLLOW



LARGE GROUP

SMALL GROUP



BIBLE REVIEW

Distribute Bibles and guide kids to open their Bibles to Genesis 11. The author of Genesis does not identify himself, but that Moses is believed to be its author. Choose a volunteer to read aloud Genesis 11:4-6.

What happened when the people tried to build the Tower of Babel? They wanted to make their own name great instead of honoring God, but their plan failed because only God is truly great.

Why can we always trust God's plan? God's plans are always good and right, and He never fails

What is the best part of God's plan for us? God sent His Son, Jesus, to die for our sin. When we trust in Him, we are forgiven and given new hearts to worship only God.



- What do you think it means to worship God? Worshiping God means we acknowledge and praise His great worth. God is greater and worth more than anything. We can worship God with every part of our lives, including loving Him with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength. (Option: read 1 Samuel 12:24.)
- Why was it good that God confused the people's language? Sin is disobeying God and His commands and it leads to death. When God stopped the people's plans to build the tower, He did so for their good. Following God's ways leads to life. (Option: read Deuteronomy 12:28.)
- How can we trust God has good plans for our lives? God has shown He has good planned for us through His Son, Jesus. God's greatest plan for our lives is to know Him and worship Him. Through faith in Jesus, we have forgiveness of sin, eternal life, and can live in ways that honor God. (Option: read Ephesians 1:3-10.)

EVERY NATION

Using the cards from the previous activity, give each 1-2 kids one card of the ten different countries. Allow kids to come forward, one card at a time and locate their country on the world map. Have them place a small dot (or star) sticker on the map where their country is. (Note: Remove stickers off map when done so the next service can locate countries on their own.)

If time allows, let them play the matching game again with the sets of cards and have teams race each other to see who can find all the matches first.

Today, we learned that God scattered people over the earth and created many languages. One day, He will gather people from every nation who have trusted in Jesus, and they will worship Him forever. God is great and deserves all worship.



Key Passage: How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. Psalm 104:24



Big Picture Question: Who is God? God is our Creator and the King of everything.



Take prayer requests and allow kids to pray.



Match parent pick-up numbers, with child name tag numbers. Build relationships with parents, encourage them to take a picture of the parent recap page to go over on the ride home.