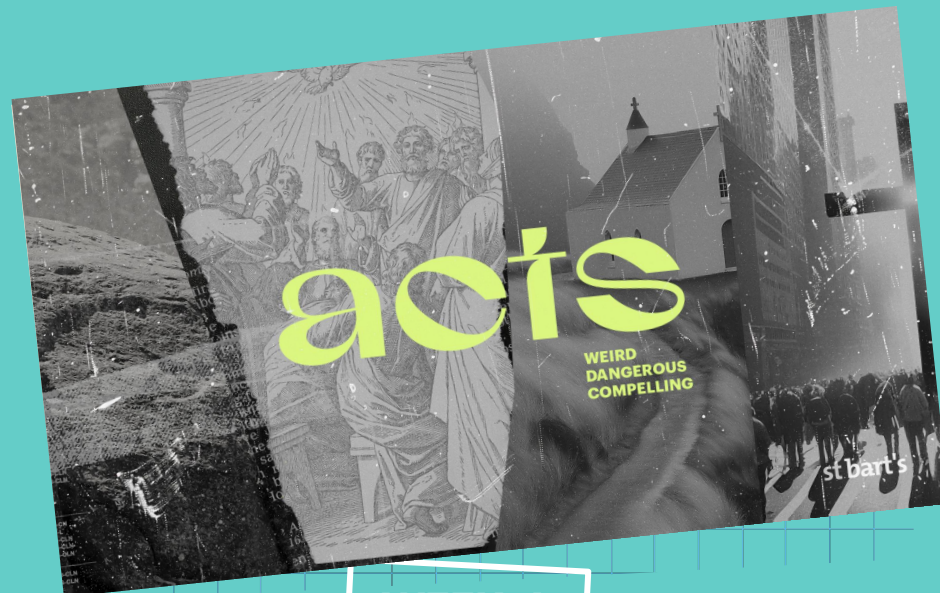




## Resource Pack

*Children's ministry resources & activities for groups & families exploring this week's theme.*

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WEEK 4

# Considered Time Strangely

Acts / Acts 3:11-26

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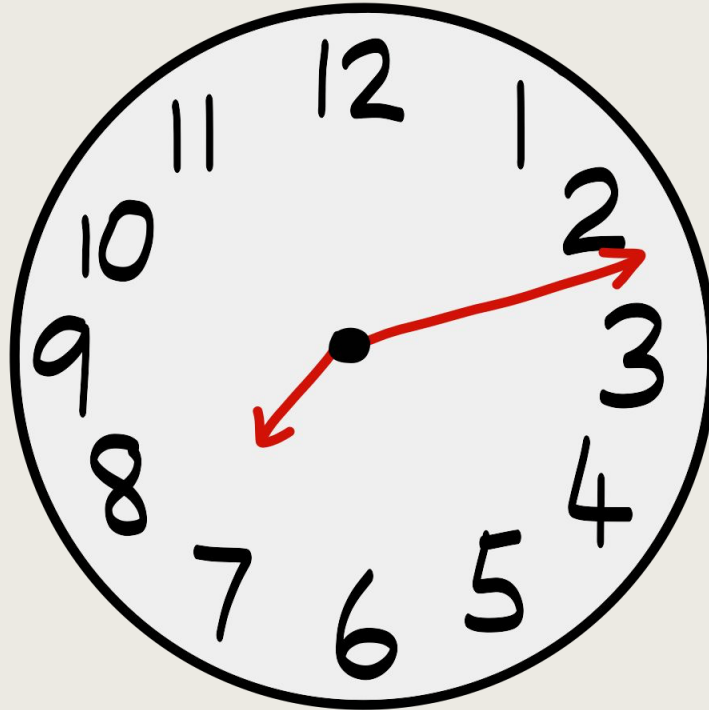
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# Considered Time Strangely

Acts 3:11-26



## HOW TO USE THIS RESOURCE

This resource has been written and produced by St Bart's Kids and we're delighted to be able to share this curriculum with you. We pray that it would be an amazing tool to aid teaching and learning occurring either at home or within your children's ministry setting.

This package connects with our series on **Acts**. The items within this package all pertain to **one session**.

The tabs on this document will help guide the main sections that should be incorporated within a session. Within each section you will find modifications for different age/learning levels - look for the tags Early Childhood, Lower Primary, Middle Primary, and Upper Primary.

All of the items within  
If you have any questions or would like to know more about St Bart's Kids resources, please contact  
[hello@stbartskids.org](mailto:hello@stbartskids.org)

## TIMING

Check-In	from...	9:00am
Gathered Worship (Auditorium) (Including Kids Talk)	10mins	
SBK Program Begins		
Welcome and Teaching	10mins	
Game (Kindy - Year 6 only)	15mins	
Small Groups/Activities	30mins	
Recap and Worship	10mins	
Check-out		

## MATERIALS

- ☐ Jesus Storybook Bible
- ☐ Coins - play money
- ☐ Money boxes/piggy banks
- ☐ Different types of play clocks
- ☐ Praise Music
- ☐ Stopwatch
- ☐ Coins - play money
- ☐ A bucket
- ☐ Stopwatch
- ☐ Game: 5 Second Rule (*or see Worksheet #1 for sample ideas*).
- ☐ A3 Printout of Worksheet #2
- ☐ A3 Printout of Worksheet #3
- ☐ Bibles
- ☐ Scissors
- ☐ Glue

## ADDITIONAL INFO

This resource is the fourth in an eight week series on Strange Religion (Acts).

## SESSION OUTLINE

THIS SUNDAY

17th August 2025

BIBLE FOCUS

Acts 3:11-26

THEME

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### THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

While others lived for festivals and important Roman days, the first Christians saw every day as part of God's plan to make the world new through Jesus. They believed God was already at work fixing the world and wanted everyone to know it!

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Here are some resources we recommend for helping teach the Gospel to kids.

1. [Book of Acts Summary: A Complete Animated Overview \(Part 1\)](#)
2. [Book of Acts Summary: A Complete Animated Overview \(Part 2\)](#)

### SERIES OVERVIEW

#### Strange Religion (Acts)

Whilst western Christianity can often look very similar to western culture, the very first followers of Jesus—along with their communities—were extraordinarily distinctive. Perhaps even a little weird! These new believers who were part of a new movement deviated from so many of the cultural norms and societal expectations. And in a culture in which everyone was 'religious', Christians still stood out as strange.

Yet whilst distinctive, these first Christians were also strangely compelling. As people witnessed their lives and heard their message, some were offended, others were confused, but many came to believe. In this eight-part series, we'll explore some of the earliest accounts of the church in Acts to see how the Gospel distinctively transformed these very first believers, also considering how the Gospel should continue to transform the lives of believers today.

### MULTIMEDIA

1. [SBK Kids Talk](#)
2. [Peter Heals A Beggar Who Can't Walk](#)

### SONGS

#### EARLY CHILDHOOD

1. [Peter and John Went to Pray](#)
2. [God Is Good \(All the Time\)](#)
3. [Made For This](#)

### SONGS

#### PRIMARY

1. [Good in Every Way](#)
2. [Made For This](#)
3. [Way Maker](#)



## FOCUS

While others lived for festivals and important Roman days, the first Christians saw every day as part of God's plan to make the world new through Jesus. They believed God was already at work fixing the world and wanted everyone to know it!

## WARM-UPS

- ☐ What is the one day each year you most look forward to?
- ☐ Have you ever had a day that unexpectedly turned into an amazing day?

## TEACHING TIME

## Considered Time Strangely

In today's story, we learn how Jesus shows us what is important about time. It shows us that we don't just live for today or one special day each year because Jesus is Lord of every single day - in the past, the present and the future.

At the beginning of Acts 3, Peter and John meet a man who had never been able to walk. Everyday, people would bring him to the Temple steps, where he would beg for money. But this day changed his life. Peter and John called on Jesus' power to heal him completely.

People were amazed! But Peter made sure that they understood it wasn't that he and John had special powers. He told them that the man was only healed because of Jesus. And the man had faith in Jesus.

Then he reminded them that in the past, the prophets had told their ancestors that Jesus would come to save them but instead of welcoming Jesus when he arrived they handed him over to be killed.

But God raised Jesus from the dead and it was because of this that the man could be healed. While the crowd was still listening, Peter took the opportunity to remind people what Jesus had done for them.

He urged them to turn back to God, say sorry for their sins and to trust in Jesus so that their sins will be wiped away. Now!

He reminds them that one day in the future, Jesus will return and he will make everything new!

Peter was telling them that their festivals and holidays weren't that important because God already had His rescue plan in place, making sure that every day was special - bringing them closer to the day when Jesus will return.

If you trust in Jesus you're already part of God's rescue plan. You don't have to wait for special days. Just like the first Christians you can celebrate every day and live everyday for Jesus!

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

## 1. Early Childhood

How can you celebrate that Jesus has saved you today?

## 2. Lower Primary

How can you celebrate what Jesus has done for us today?

## 3. Middle Primary

How can you live each day for Jesus?

## 4. Upper Primary

How can you live and work each day for Jesus?

## Early Childhood

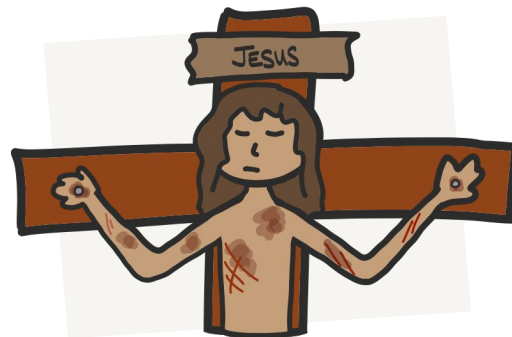
## Considered Time Strangely



A man who couldn't walk had just been healed through Peter and John. Everyone was amazed and came to see what had happened.

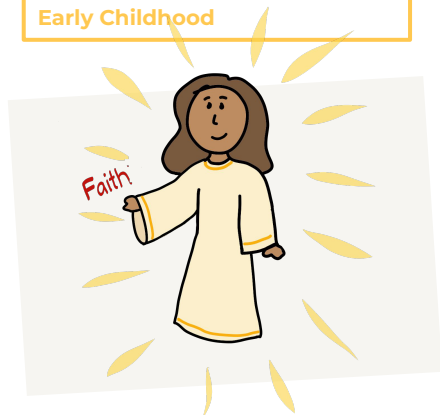


Then Peter told the crowd, "This man wasn't healed by our own power but by God's power.



God sent Jesus to save the world. But people didn't want Jesus, they hurt him, and he died. But God brought Jesus back to life!

## Early Childhood



This man can walk because he believes in Jesus. Jesus died so our sins can be forgiven.



So turn away from doing wrong, and turn to God. One day, God will make everything good and new again, just like he promised long ago.”

## Lower Primary

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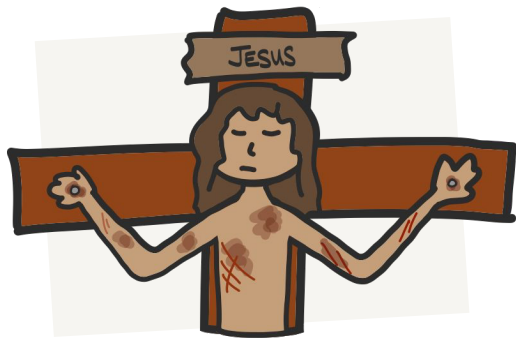


Ch3 v11 A lame man had been healed through Peter and John. Lots of people were amazed and came to check him out.



12 Then Peter told the crowd, “This man wasn’t healed by our own power but by God’s power.

## Lower Primary



13-15 Jesus was sent by God to save the world. But you rejected him and had him killed. However God raised him from the dead.

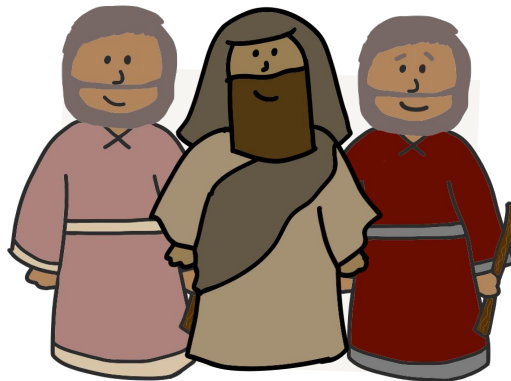


16-18 This man was made able to walk because of faith in Jesus. Jesus suffered so your sins could be forgiven.

## Lower Primary

NEW!

19-21 Therefore turn away from your sins and turn to God. The time will come when he will make everything new.



22-26 All the prophets spoke about this. They said this day would come.”

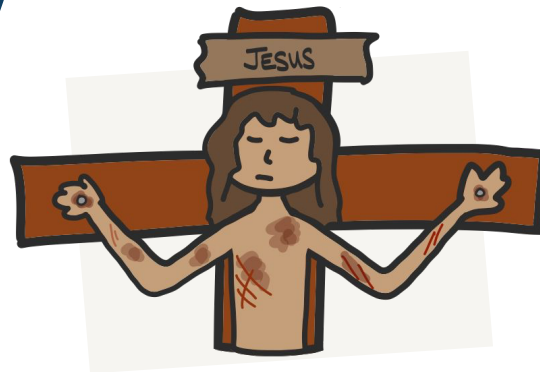
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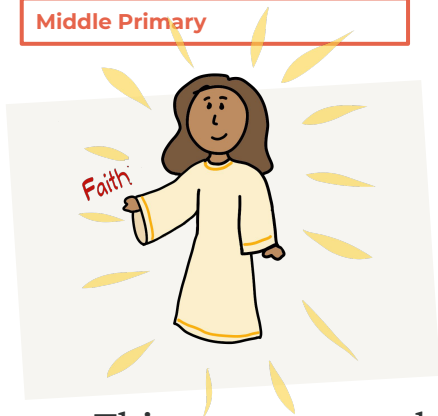


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13-15 Jesus, the Messiah (the ‘Promised One’), was sent by God to save the world. But you rejected him and had him killed. However God raised him from the dead.

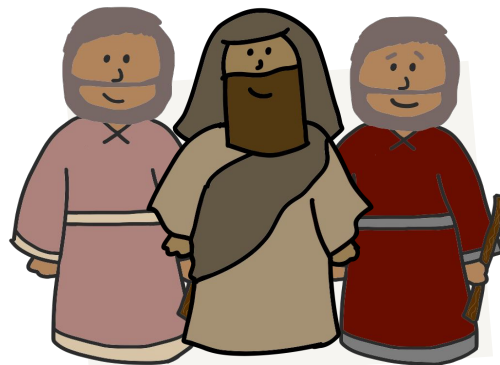
## Middle Primary



16-18 This man was made strong and able to walk because of faith in Jesus. As your prophets told you, the Messiah would suffer so your sins could be forgiven.



19-21 So turn away from your sins and turn to God. The time will come when he will make everything new.



22-26 All the prophets spoke about this. They said this day would come. Long ago God had told Abraham the Good News, 'Through your offspring all the families of the earth will be blessed'."

## FOCUS

While others lived for festivals and important Roman days, the first Christians saw every day as part of God's plan to make the world new through Jesus. They believed God was already at work fixing the world and wanted everyone to know it!

## Early Childhood

## PRAYER

Dear God,  
THANK YOU that Jesus is alive and already making the world new.  
HELP US live for you every day.  
Amen.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

[View SBK ebook Acts 3: 11-26](#)

1. **Think of all the ways that you use your legs every day.**
2. **How would the lame man in our story feel when he could walk for the first time?**
3. **How were Peter and John able to heal the man?**  
It was because of God's power not theirs.
4. **The man was healed because he had faith in Jesus. How can Jesus change us?**

When we trust him, we can be part of his family. Now and forever.

*Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets. Acts 3:21*

## FOCUS

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## Lower Primary

## PRAYER

Thank you God that you are sovereign over all things, including time.

We thank you for the ways in which you have already been at work fixing the world, through Jesus.

We pray that we might use our time wisely, to follow you and your plans.

Amen.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read SBK ebook Acts 3: 11-26

1. **Imagine what it would be like if you had never been able to walk.**

2. **How was the lame man healed? (v11)**

Peter and John had healed him - through the power of God. They couldn't have done it on their own.

3. **Why did people come to 'see' (v12)**

They were amazed that Peter and John had been able to heal this man that they all knew hadn't been able to walk for many years.

4. **Peter explains to them why Jesus had died. What did he tell them? (v13-18)**

God had sent Jesus to save the world. He had to die - but God raised him up from the dead.

5. **Peter reminds the people that in the past the prophets had foretold that Jesus would have to suffer. Why did Jesus have to suffer? (vs 16-18)**

So that people's sins could be forgiven. That means our sins too.

6. **How can our sins be forgiven today?**

We tell God how sorry we are when we do or say wrong things and he will forgive us.

7. **This was God's plan from the beginning! And one day, he will make everything new! How can we thank him today?**

By living in ways that make him happy and letting our friends know how much Jesus loves them too

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## FOCUS

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## Middle Primary

## PRAYER

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We pray that we might use our time wisely, to follow you and your plans.

Amen.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Acts 3: 11-26 from SBK Middle Primary Scripture

- 1. What day/s do you most look forward to?**
- 2. How was the lame man healed? (vs 11-12, 16-18)**  
Peter and John called on the name of Jesus. And the man had faith that Jesus could do this.
- 3. Who did the people think healed the man? (v12)**  
They likely thought it was Peter and John.
- 4. How does Peter respond?**  
He told them clearly that it was not his and John's power that healed the man but God's power.
- 5. How did Jesus rise from the dead after he died?(v 15)**  
God raised him from the dead.
- 6. Peter reminds the people that in the past the prophets had foretold that Jesus would have to suffer. Why did Jesus have to suffer? (vs 16-18)**  
So that people's sins could be forgiven.

- 7. What does it mean to you that Jesus died so our sins can be forgiven? (vs19-21)**

Encourage children to acknowledge this amazing sacrifice and gift from God.

- 8. Peter reminds the people that the prophets have already told them about a special future promised to them. What was this good news?**

That through Abraham's children, all the families of the earth will be blessed (vs 21-26) - that Jesus will make everything new (v21).

- 9. If we believe this good news, what should we do while we look forward to being with Jesus forever?**

We can celebrate every day knowing that our future is safe with Jesus. We can use our time to help other people to know that good news too, and to live in ways that make God pleased with us.

*Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets. Acts 3:21*

## FOCUS

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## Upper Primary

## PRAYER

Thank you God that you are sovereign over all things, including time.

We thank you for the ways in which you have already been at work fixing the world, through Jesus.

We pray that we might use our time wisely, to follow you and your plans.

Amen.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Acts 3:11-26 from New Adventurer Bible

1. **What day/s do you most look forward to?**

2. **Read vs 6-8, How was the lame man healed?**

Peter and John called on the name of Jesus.

3. **On the day when the man who couldn't walk was healed, people reacted in different ways. How did the man react? The people? Peter and John (vs 11-12)**

The man holds on to Peter and John (he had earlier been jumping around praising God v8-9)

The people were amazed and curious.

Peter and John make it clear that they did not heal the man by their own power. Or even their godliness but by God's power.

4. **Peter reminds the people that in the past the prophets had foretold that Jesus would have to suffer. Why did Jesus have to suffer? (vs 16-18)**

So that people's sins could be forgiven.

5. **How did Jesus rise from the dead after he died?(v 15)**

God raised him from the dead.

6. **What does Peter urge the people to do now - in the present? (vs19-21)**

To turn away from their sins and turn to God.

7. **Peter reminds the people that the prophets have already told them about a special future promised to them. What was this good news?**

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8. **If we believe this good news, what should we do while we look forward to spending all of the future with Him?**

We can celebrate every day knowing that our future is safe with Jesus. We can use our time to help other people to know that good news too, and to live in ways that make God pleased with us. .

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## FOCUS

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## EARLY CHILDHOOD

Dear God,

THANK YOU that Jesus is alive and already making the world new.

HELP US live for you every day.  
Amen.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Thank you God that you are sovereign over all things, including time.

We thank you for the ways in which you have already been at work fixing the world, through Jesus.

We pray that we might use our time wisely, to follow you and your plans.

Amen.

## TIPS

*Start each morning with gratitude, thanking God for the day He's given you.*

## Early Childhood

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## Sunday School

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Amen.

## FOCUS

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*In this section, you'll find activities for Early Childhood and Primary School aged kids. There's a range of crafts, activities and games suitable for both individuals and groups.*

## EARLY CHILDHOOD

- Storytime
- Money
- Clocks
- Freeze (Kindy)
- How long can you...? (Kindy)

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

- How long can you...? (Prep)
- 5 Second Rule (Years 1-2)
- Silent Countdown (Years 3-4)
- Past, Present and Future (Years 5-6)

## GAMES

- Coin Toss (Kindy)
- Get Up! (Prep-Yr 6)

# Storytime

## YOU'LL NEED...

- Jesus Storybook Bible

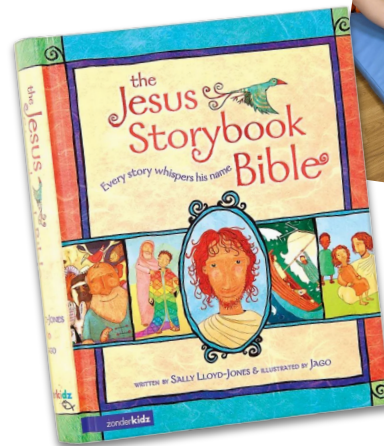
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BIBLE FOCUS  
Acts 3:11-26

THEME  
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## STEPS

1. Gather the children and read to them a selection of stories from the Jesus Storybook Bible. You might like to allow the children to choose their favourites, otherwise we suggest choosing one from the beginning of the book, the middle, and the end.
2. Between each story, try and remind the children how God has continued to be present each time - that he has always been and will always be there.



## Link

*Jesus is Lord of the past, present, and future. He's the key to understanding the whole story.*

# Money

## YOU'LL NEED...

- Coins - play money
- Money boxes/piggy banks

## STEPS

1. Set up the coins on the tables. Show children how to count them, sort them, order them, stack them - be creative - the list is endless!
2. Bring out the piggy banks. Have the children take turns to put coins in the piggy bank until they are full.



### Link

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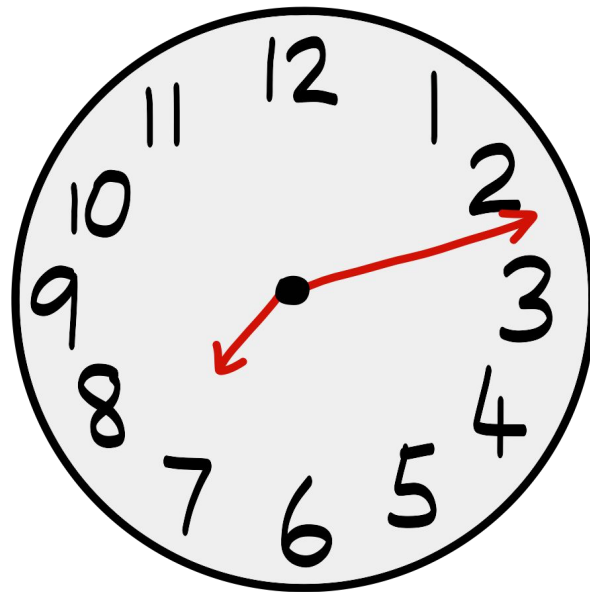
# Clocks

## YOU'LL NEED...

- Different types of play clocks

## STEPS

1. Let the children play with the various clocks.
2. Help the children move the hands on the clocks (if possible) to show time moving.



### Link

*People measure time differently, but God's timing is always perfect, and He is working even when we can't see it.*

# Freeze

## YOU'LL NEED...

- Praise Music

## STEPS

1. Play the praise music - when the music is playing, the children dance and move around and praise God.
2. When the music stops, they must freeze.
3. If they move, they are 'out'.
4. Continue until you have one child left who is the winner.



## Link

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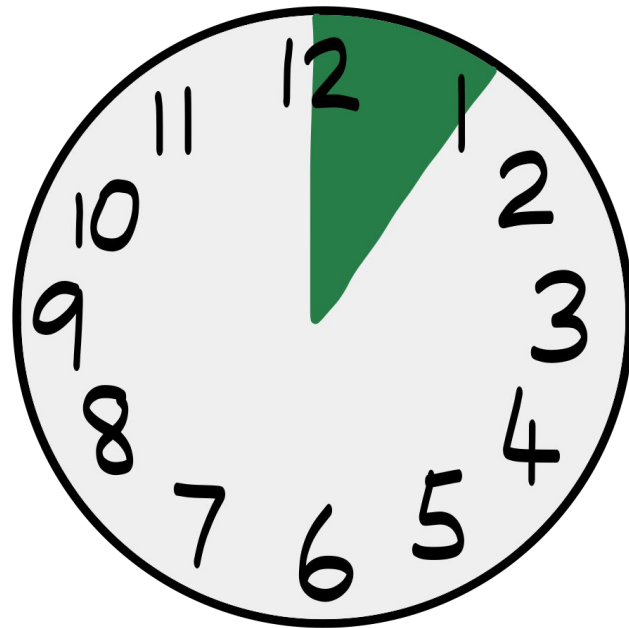
## How long can you...?

### YOU'LL NEED...

- Stopwatch

### STEPS

1. Have a competition to see how long the children can do a difficult thing.
2. For example: Stand on one leg, balance something on their head, stay silent, stay still.
3. Use a timer and see if they can do it for 30 seconds.



### Link

*People measure time differently, but God's timing is always perfect, and He is working even when we can't see it.*

## 5 Second Rule

### YOU'LL NEED...

- Game: 5 Second Rule (or see Worksheet #1 for sample ideas).

THIS SUNDAY

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BIBLE FOCUS

Acts 3:11-26

THEME

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### STEPS

1. Sit the children in a circle. The leader reads a question (one) to the first child and simultaneously turns over the timer (5 second). The child then must try and answer the question before the timer runs out. *\*\* you may wish to do a couple of rounds WITHOUT the timer to start with, as a warm up.*
2. Repeat for each child around the circle asking a different question each time.

*\* In the official 5 Second Rule game, it asks the players to name 3 things. However, we recommend for younger ages that naming 1 item is challenging enough. Simply adapt the number of items (and the time allowed) to the age and ability of your group, as needed.*


[Link](#)

People measure time differently, but God's timing is always perfect, and He is working even when we can't see it.

Name an animal with 2 legs.	Name something you would find in the ocean.	Name a place you like to sing.	Name something you can do with chocolate.
Name something you can put in a pie.	Name something you can do with water.	Name a scary insect.	Name something you do before leaving the house.
Name an Australian animal.	Name one type of transport.	Name a musical instrument.	Name a type of shoe.
Name something with wheels.	Name something you might find on a Christmas tree.	Name your favourite flavour of icecream.	Name a type of pizza.

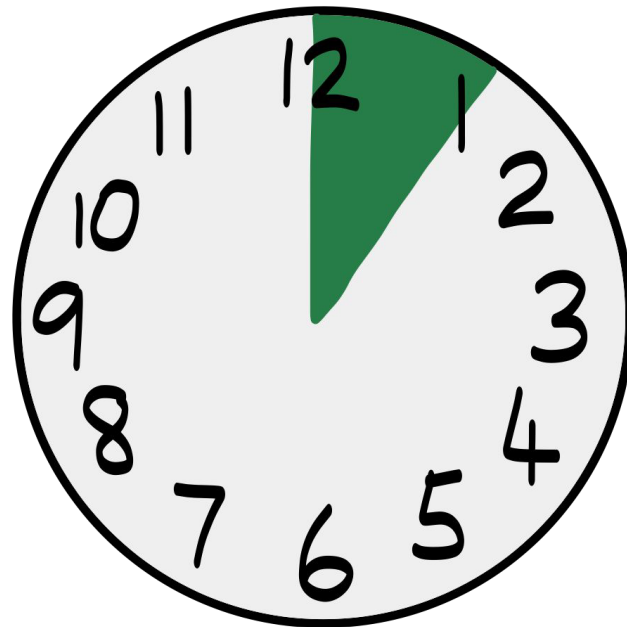
# Silent Countdown

## YOU'LL NEED...

- Stopwatch

## STEPS

1. Leader says 'GO' and starts the stopwatch.
2. Kids count silently in their heads, standing up when they think one minute has passed.
3. Winner is closest to 1 minute.
4. Do it again but change the amount of time the kids have to count to.
5. Repeat as many times as you want.



### Link

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# Past, Present and Future

## YOU'LL NEED...

- A3 Printout of Worksheet #2
- A3 Printout of Worksheet #3
- Bibles
- Scissors
- Glue

## STEPS

1. Cut out the verses.
2. Hand them out to the children and have them look up each verse in the Bible.
3. One at a time have the children read out the verses.
4. As a group decide if it's Past, Present, or Future, and glue it under the right heading.

Past	Present	Future
Isaiah 9:6	Acts 3:16	Hebrews 9:28
Mark 10:45	Romans 8:1	John 14:3



### Link

*Jesus is Lord of the past, present, and future. He's the key to understanding the whole story.*

Isaiah 9:6	John 19:30	Luke 24:6	Genesis 12:3	Micah 5:2	Mark 10:45	1 Peter 2:24	Acts 2:32
Matthew 28:20	Romans 8:34	Acts 3:16	Hebrews 13:5	2 Corinthians 5:17	Colossians 1:17	Psalms 46:1	Romans 8:1
John 14:3	Revelation 21:4	Philippians 3:20	1 Thessalonians 4:16	Isaiah 65:17	1 Corinthians 15:52	Hebrews 9:28	Revelation 22:12

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## WORKSHEET 3

The printout is available on the following page.



<b>Past</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Future</b>

## GAME: Coin Toss

### YOU'LL NEED...

- Coins - play money
- A bucket

### STEPS

1. Get the kids to line up and give them each a coin.
2. Place a bucket in front of the kids.
3. Get the kids to take turns tossing a coin into the bucket.
4. Once everyone has had a turn move the bucket further away and give the kids another coin each.
5. Repeat.



### Link

*The lame man relied on the kindness of others to get the money that he needed to live. Money was able to help him buy things, but only Jesus Christ could truly heal him.*

# GAME: Get Up!

## YOU'LL NEED...

- N/A

## STEPS

1. Once children are arranged and seated in a circle, ask the children to lie on their stomachs with their feet pointing outwards (so that all children are looking inwards)
2. Ask the children to all close their eyes, and explain to the children that you will be selecting three people to be "it" by tapping them gently on their head. Once these have been selected, everyone may open their eyes.
3. Those who are "it" are not to tell anyone they have been selected. The role of those who are "it" is to make eye contact with others around the circle and wink/blink at them. They are to try and do it subtly so that no one else notices. Once a child has been winked/blinked at, they are to get up!
4. Those who are still lying down need to guess the those who are "it". The game is over once all three who are "it" have been correctly guessed, or everyone else is UP!

*Note: this game is loosely based off the game "wink murder", though of course, is a reverse version. The children "get up" when someone winks/blinks at them!*



### Link

*The lame man got up, walked, jumped and praised God when he was healed. This miracle reminds us that Jesus is alive and powerful today.*