



### **BIG IDEA**

God wants to transform the way we think.

### **GOD STORY**

Sacrifice (Romans 12:1–8)

### **KEY VERSE**

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you. Then you will tell people about me...from one end of the earth to the other.”  
(Acts 1:8, NIRV)

## **1 | Conversation Starter**

### **TIP**

- Highlight that when something transforms, there’s a dramatic change in the way it looks or acts.

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- To lead into the lesson, discuss:
  - What does the word “transform” mean?
  - What’s something in nature that transforms?
  - Can you think of anything else that transforms? What is it?
  - Do you think humans can transform?
- Introduce today’s Big Idea: **God wants to transform the way we think.**

## **2 | Watch**

### **SUPPLIES**

- Media player

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Watch this week’s video from the Now Playing Kids playlist on the One Story YouTube channel.

## **3 | Discuss**

### **SUPPLIES**

- None

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Review and discuss the video teaching:
  - What’s the Key Verse for this series? (Acts 1:8)
  - What assumptions did people make about Conor because he had a physical disability?
  - What does it mean for God to transform how we think? How does he do it?
  - What could you think differently about right now? For example, do you need to transform how you think about your siblings or other family members? Or how you think when you’re angry or worried? Or how you think about people who you disagree with?

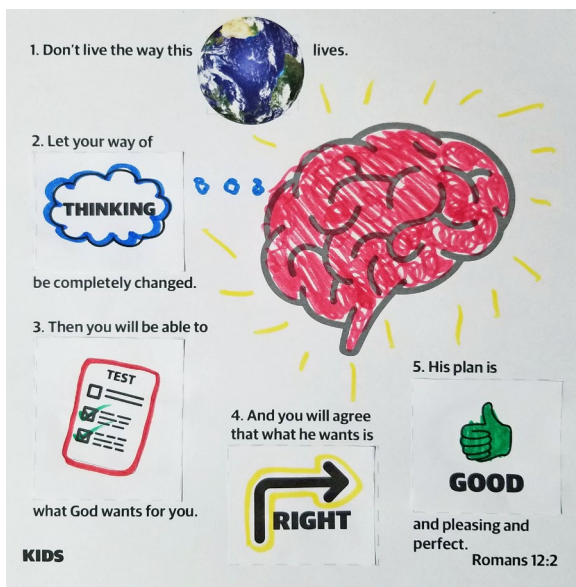
## 4 | Activity

### SUPPLIES

- Romans 12:2 activity pages
- World stickers
- Scissors
- Glue
- Colouring supplies

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Give each person an activity page and a sticker.
- Place the other supplies where they can be shared.
- Explain that the sticker goes on the first blank in the verse. The pictures in the cutlines fill in the other blanks. (See the sample photo.)
- Direct everyone to cut out their pictures.
- Guide the kids to glue them on the blanks.
- Encourage them to colour in their pages.
- As everyone works on their crafts, chat about what they think this verse means.
- See if they can say Romans 12:2 from memory!



## 5 | Pray

### SUPPLIES

- Activity cards
- Beanbag (or small stuffed animal)

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Spread out the activity cards face down on the floor and gather around them.
- Guide the kids to take turns tossing a beanbag towards the cards.
- Pick up the card closest to where the beanbag lands and read the card aloud.
- Chat about whether it's in line with God's way of thinking or if it's a thought God would want to transform.
- When all the cards have been reviewed, ask the kids if they can think of any other thoughts that God would want to transform (e.g., I'm not a good person so God couldn't love me).
- Pray together about what you've talked about today. Ask God to help your kids transform the way they think in the week ahead.