

BIG IDEA

We can encourage each other.

GOD STORY

Paul Works with Aquila and Priscilla (Acts 18:1-23)

KEY VERSE

Encourage each other. (From 2 Corinthians 13:11, NLT)

MUSIC

"Cheer Each Other On" (The Meeting House Kids Music)

1 | Start

ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER SUPPLIES

- Blocks
- Toys

ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Work together to build a structure using blocks and toys.
- b. Guide your family to encourage one another as you build. Lead by example and model how to do this for the children.
- c. Introduce the new Big Idea: **We can encourage** each other.
- d. Explain that today's story from the Bible is about some tentmakers. They encouraged one another and worked together to tell others about Jesus.

ACT IT OUT SUPPLIES

None

ACT IT OUT INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Demonstrate how to play charades by acting out a simple word (e.g., run, smile, jump, dog) and prompting everyone to guess what it is.
- b. Take turns silently acting out words that you whisper into the actor's ear.
- c. Guide everyone else to guess the words.
- d. Be sure to encourage the children and cheer for their efforts!
- e. To wrap up, explain that today's Bible story is about Priscilla, Aquila, and Paul. They worked together and told people about Jesus. They encouraged one another!
- f. Review the Big Idea: **We can encourage each** other.

2 | Watch

SUPPLIES

Media player

INSTRUCTIONS

 Watch this week's video from the Now Playing Early Years playlist on the One Story YouTube channel.



3 | Craft

SUPPLIES

- Puppet cutouts
- Craft sticks
- Colouring supplies
- Tape

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Give each child one of each of the puppet cutouts, two craft sticks, and some colouring supplies.
- b. Direct them to colour their cutouts.
- c. As they colour, chat about today's story. Review that Priscilla and Aquila made tents with Paul so they could all go and tell other people about Jesus!
- d. When the children are done, tape the cutouts to the craft sticks to create puppets.
- e. Encourage them to pretend their puppets are making tents and telling others about Jesus. They could also pretend that the puppets are encouraging each other.

4 | Key Verse

SUPPLIES

- Key Verse colouring pages
- Colouring supplies

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Give each child a coloring page and some colouring supplies.
- b. Read aloud the Key Verse for the Encouragement series, then repeat it together.
- c. Direct the children to colour and decorate their page.
- d. Display their finished work as a reminder to learn the verse.

5 | Pray

SUPPLIES

None

INSTRUCTIONS

a. Take a walk around your neighbourhood now or later today. As you pass the homes of people you know or see them on the street, lead your family to say short sentence prayers for them. Take the opportunity to share encouraging words with others, too!