

#### **BIG IDEA**

God is with me.

#### **GOD STORY**

David Celebrates! (2 Samuel 5-6)

#### **KEY VERSE**

The Lord is with me. I will not be afraid. (Psalm 118:6a, NIRV)

#### **MUSIC**

"Jesus Gives Us Peace" (The Meeting House Kids)

# 1 | Start

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Big Idea Hop activity pages
- Masking tape
- Media player

## **BEFORE THE ACTIVITY**

 Create a path on the floor with the pages. Leave varying amounts of space between them. Tape down the edges to prevent slipping and tripping.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Take turns hopping from page to page. Count how many hops each child does between the pages (i.e., five hops or two hops or maybe none if some pages are close together).
- b. Each time they land on a page, shout the Big Idea: **God is with me!**
- c. Gather your family for a dance party. Play some fun music and encourage everyone to celebrate with all their might!

# 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** | Pray

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Coloured paper
- Scissors
- Writing supplies (e.g., pens, markers, etc.)
- Tape or stapler

#### **BEFORE THE ACTIVITY**

 If you didn't already prepare a prayer chain or if you want to add chains, cut the paper into strips.

## TIP

 Consider colour-coding the prayers (e.g., use yellow strips for praises, green strips for requests, blue for needs, etc.).

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. If you have not already made a paper-chain prayer, encourage everyone in your family to write (or draw) their prayers and praises on the strips of paper.
- b. Loop the strips together and fasten them to create a paper chain. Depending on the number of prayers, assemble chains for each person or make one family chain.
- c. Remind the children that Jesus prays on our behalf, too.
- d. Hang the prayers in a spot where you'll see them and be reminded to pray.



# 4 | Craft

## **SUPPLIES**

- Headband pictures
- Colouring supplies including metallic colours if possible (e.g., crayons, markers, etc.)
- Shiny trim or similar material (see sample photo)
- Glue, tape, and/or stapler

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Give each child a headband picture and some colouring supplies.
- b. Guide them to colour in their pictures.
- c. When they finish, help them attach the headband pictures onto a length of shiny trim.
- d. Fit the trim into a crown on the child's head, then tape or staple the ends together.
- e. Review the Bible story and emphasize that God was always with David.
- f. Highlight the Big Idea: God is with me!



# **5** | Key Verse

#### **SUPPLIES**

Key Verse sign

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Slowly read aloud the Key Verse for this series, pointing to each of the words as you say them.
- b. Repeat Psalm 118:6 together in a variety of fun ways (e.g., whispering, shouting, as a squeaky mouse, gruffly, quickly, slowly, etc.).