

**Bible Studies For Life: Kids Worship** enables kids to experience an interactive large-group worship in a kid-friendly setting!

Customize each session to fit the needs of your kids, leaders, and worship environment. Included are Bible stories, worship songs, videos, games, Bible verse activities, and more. There also are ideas for small group activities to use during your drop-off or pick-up times. Here's a breakdown of a suggested schedule. Adapt it to fit your time and space.

**FOR LIFE** 

Worship

### **PRODUCTION NOTES**

Tailor Kids Worship to your kids and leaders:

- For easy prep: Enlist a Worship Leader to show music videos and lead songs. Prepare the Connection Point Game and Bible Verse activity, and show the videos for the Bible Story and Connection Point Missions.
- Have an additional leader? Enlist that person to lead the Connection Point game, Bible Verse activity, and missions. Then prepare and tell the Bible Story for an interactive experience with your kids.
- Do you have musicians who would like to lead worship songs? Check out the lead sheets on the DVD-ROM or substitute your songs.
- Need easy ideas for decorating your stage area? See "Decorating Tips" in the How-To section on the DVD-ROM.

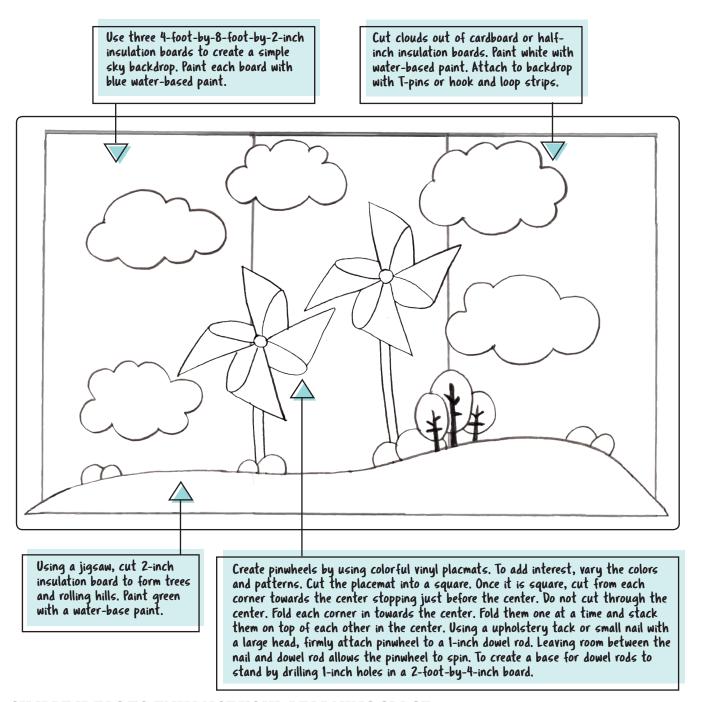
| HUDDLE UPS                               | Optional small group activities for your drop-off or pick-up times              | Small Group Leaders                  |
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| COUNTDOWN VIDEO                          | Signals the end of Huddle Ups and beginning of worship time                     | Video                                |
| WORSHIP SONG                             | Use preselected song or choose one of your own                                  | Video or Worship Leader/Team options |
| WELCOME AND PRAYER                       | Introduction to Bible story and Bible verse                                     | Bible Study Leader                   |
| TRUE 2 LIFE DRAMA OR<br>MOOSEBERRY VIDEO | Reinforces the Life Point   | Video or drama script option         |
| CONNECTION POINT GAME                    | Interactive game to create excitement about the day's Bible story or Life Point | Connection Point Leader              |
| WORSHIP SONG                             | Use preselected song or choose one of your own                                  | Video or Worship Leader/Team options |
| BIBLE STORY                              | Interactive Bible story   | Bible Study Leader or video option   |
| WORSHIP SONG AND OFFERING                | Offering; Choose a favorite worship song  | Worship Leader/Team                  |
| CONNECTION POINT BIBLE<br>VERSE          | Interactive Bible Verse activity  | Connection Point Leader              |
| CONNECTION POINT MISSIONS                | Missions video and summary  | Video and Connection Point<br>Leader |
| REAL LIFE CONNECTIONS                    | Application of the Life Point to kids' lives                                    | Bible Study Leader or video option   |

### **UNIT 1. THE AMAZING POWER OF JESUS**



### **DECORATING TIPS**

Build a thematic backdrop to create a fun and exciting worship experience for your kids.



### SIMPLE IDEAS TO ENHANCE YOUR LEARNING SPACE

- Purchase small pinwheels from your local discount store. Turn a large foam cup upside down and push a pinwheel's handle through the bottom of the cup. Line your stage area with the pinwheels.
- Create large pinwheels from poster board. (See instructions above. Use a paper brad to secure the corners instead of upholstery tacks.) Tape pinwheels to the wall.
- Cut poster board into large cloud shapes. Glue batting or cotton balls to cover both sides of the shape. Use fishing line to hang the clouds from the ceiling.

### **UNIT 1. THE AMAZING POWER OF JESUS**



### **SESSION 2**

Jesus Calmed a Storm

### BIBLE PASSAGE

Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25

### LIFE POINT

Jesus has power over nature.

### **CHRIST FOCUS**

Nothing is too difficult for Jesus.

### LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

Jesus taught about faith, trust, and obedience to God.

SUGGESTED USE DATE: September 8

### **BIBLE VERSE**

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He arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

Mark 4:39 (KJV)

He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

Mark 4:39 (NIV)

He awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

Mark 4:39 (ESV)

He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm.

Mark 4:39 (NKJV)

### **SCHEDULE AND PROPS**

**Huddle Ups** (Optional) (time varies)

Supplies (for each small group):

- •"Boat Races"—pool noodle, serrated knife, straws (1 per child), shallow storage bin (such as an under-bed bin), water, towels (optional)
- "Float the Verse" storage bin, water, craft foam, permanent marker, scissors

**Countdown Video** (3 minutes)
Props: none

Worship Song (3 minutes)
Props: none

**Welcome and Prayer** (5 minutes)
Props: none

**True2Life Drama** (or Mooseberry video) (3-5 minutes)
Props: none

### **Connection Point Game**

(10 minutes)

Props: 8 chairs, 2 beanbags

Worship Song (3 minutes)

Props: none

Bible Story (10 minutes)

Props: Bible

### **Worship Song and Offering**

(3 minutes)

Props: clear bin (optional), water *(optional)* 

### **Connection Point Bible Verse**

(5-8 minutes) Props: none

### **Connection Point Missions**

(5-8 minutes) Props: none

### **Real Life Connections**

(3-5 minutes) Props: none

### **MUSIC AND MEDIA**

- Countdown: Countdown video
- Worship Song: "Your Amazing Power, Jesus"
- Welcome and Prayer: Life Point and Bible Verse slides
- True2Life Drama: Mooseberry Life Action video (optional)
- Connection Point Game:
   Connection Point Game slide;
   fun music of your choice
- Worship Song: "Words to Use"
- Bible Story: Bible Story and Christ Focus slides; Notebook Bible Story video (optional)

- Worship Song and Offering: Worship song of your choice
- Connection Point Bible Verse: Connection Point Bible Verse and Bible Verse slides
- Connection Point Missions: Connection Point Missions slide; "Proclaim the Name" missions video
- Real Life Connections:
   Real Life Connections and
   Life Point slides; Real Life
   Connections video; Real Life
   Questions slides (optional)



### **HUDDLE UPS (OPTIONAL)**

Huddle Ups are for churches that have a drop-off time before the session begins or a pick-up time as parents arrive at the end of the session. It's a great time for interaction with a small group leader through games, conversations, or review questions. Play the countdown video to signal the end of Huddle Ups and the beginning of the session.

- **⇒** Estimated time: varies according to schedule
- → Tech: none
- → People: Small Group Leaders
- Supplies (for each small group): "Boat Races" – pool noodle, serrated knife, straws (1 per child), shallow storage bin (such as an under-bed bin), water, towels (optional) "Float the Verse" – storage bin, water, craft foam, permanent marker, scissors

### HUDDLE UP: PRE-SESSION "BOAT RACES"

Prep: Use a serrated knife to cut a 4-inch piece from the pool noodle. Slice the piece lengthwise. Pour about 3 inches of water into the storage bin.

- Invite kids to share about a time when they rode in a boat (or saw a boat).
- Mention that kids will hear a Bible story about a time when Jesus and His friends were in a boat.
- Suggest kids compete in a boat race.
- Choose two kids to race. Provide each racer a pool noodle boat and a straw.
- Direct racers to place the boats onto the water at one end of the storage bin.
- Challenge players to blow through their straws to move the boats across the water.
- Declare the first boat to reach the other side as the winner.
- Invite two new kids to play and race the boats again. Continue as your time allows or until each child takes a turn.
- Watch for the countdown video to signal the end of Huddle Ups. Guide your small group to join the others to begin worship.
- Leader note: Provide clean straws for each race.
   Use a towel to absorb any spills.

### HUDDLE UP: POST-SESSION "FLOAT THE VERSE"

Prep: Cut a sheet of craft foam into 10 pieces (optional: cut fish shapes). Use a permanent marker to write a word or phrase on each foam piece from today's Bible verse (your preferred version). Reuse the water-filled storage bin from the Pre-Session Huddle Up. Float the foam pieces with the words facedown on the water.

- Lead kids to say the Life Point: "Jesus has power over nature."
- Ask: "How did Jesus show His power over nature in today's Bible story?"
- Review today's Bible verse, Mark 4:39 (your preferred version).
- Invite a child to remove a foam piece from the
  water. If she reveals the first word or phrase of the
  Bible verse, she may stick the piece to the side of
  the storage bin. If she does not retrieve the first
  word or phrase, return the foam piece with the
  word facedown on the water.
- Lead kids to take turns choosing foam pieces.
   Continue until kids choose all the words in Bible verse order.
- Return foam pieces to the water and play again as your time allows.
- As each child leaves, remind him that Jesus has power over nature.

### **COUNTDOWN VIDEO**

➡ Estimated time: 3 minutes

→ Tech: Countdown video

→ People: none

→ Props: none

(Play countdown video to signal the beginning of worship time. Kids will count aloud as they join the large group.)



### **WORSHIP SONG**

- ➡ Estimated time: 3 minutes
- → Tech: Music video, mics for singers, lights (optional)
- Music: "Your Amazing Power, Jesus" (lead sheet available on DVD-ROM) or download a worship song of your choice
- → People: Worship Leader and/or Worship Team
- → Props: none

### **WORSHIP LEADER**

Good morning (afternoon/evening)! I hope you had a great week and are ready to sing and worship Jesus together! Let's begin our time together by singing about Jesus' amazing power!

(Show the music video. Kids stand to sing.)

### WELCOME AND PRAYER

➡ Estimated time: 5 minutes

→ Tech: Life Point and Bible Verse slides

→ People: Bible Study Leader

→ Props: none

### **BIBLE STUDY LEADER**

Do any of you enjoy going camping or hiking? (Allow for responses.) This is a great time of year to enjoy the outdoors! What are some things you might see if you went camping or hiking in the woods? (Allow for responses.)

There are so many great things to see in nature! During the daytime you might see waterfalls, interesting insects, colorful birds, or beautiful flowers. At nighttime you can see the moon, fireflies, and maybe a shooting star!

All the things we've mentioned are really cool, but what's more incredible is that each was created by God. There is nothing in nature that God did not put there! God created it all, and He is in charge of it all!

(Show Life Point slide.)

Today we will hear that Jesus has power over nature. Say that with me: "Jesus has power over nature."

Jesus has power over nature because
He is God's Son. Jesus can do things
that no one else can do! Today's Bible verse is about
a time when Jesus showed His power over nature.
Let's read it together.

(Show Bible Verse slide—select preferred version.)

### BIBLE VERSE (SELECT PREFERRED VERSION):

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Whoa! The wind and the sea obeyed Jesus' command! Can you imagine what it would have been like to see a stormy sea suddenly become completely calm? That's amazing! Let's pray together and thank God for the power He has over all things. After we pray, help me welcome our True2Life team (or the Mooseberry kids).

God, Your power is amazing! We praise You for being the Creator, and we thank You for controlling all things. We know there is nothing that is too hard for You. We love You! In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

### TRUE2LIFE DRAMA

- **⇒** Estimated time: 3-5 minutes
- → Tech: Mooseberry Life Action video (optional)
- → People: Katherine and Jack (teen-aged friends)
- → Props: none

Katherine enters and lets out a big yawn. Jack enters as she yawns again.



Jack: You look tired, Katherine.

Katherine: (rubbing eyes and yawning) I am.

Jack: Didn't you sleep last night?

Katherine: No, not at all. None of us did.

**Jack:** I know last night was your family game night.

Did you play all night?

**Katherine:** Well, we played until the power went out.

**Jack:** (surprised) The power went out?

**Katherine:** Yes. Didn't you hear the storm? The wind and rain were so strong! The power went out, and it didn't come back on until this morning.

Jack: Wow. It didn't storm at our house.

**Katherine:** Jack, it did storm at your house. You live next door.

**Jack:** Oh, right! Then I guess it did storm at my house. I had no idea.

**Katherine:** How did you miss such a huge storm—the wind, the rain, the power going off?

**Jack:** I went to bed early. My mom says I sleep like a baby.

**Katherine:** I'm glad at least one of us slept last night. I never closed my eyes. It was too loud to sleep.

Jack: You should try sleeping like a baby.

**Katherine:** I don't think it works that way, Jack.

Jack: But do you know what DOES work?

Katherine: What?

**Jack:** Talking to Jesus about it. Don't forget to pray, Katherine.

**Katherine:** You're right, Jack. Jesus has power over nature, and He always hears our prayers.

Jack: That's the amazing power of Jesus!

(They exit.) (END SCENE)

### **CONNECTION POINT GAME**

➡ Estimated time: 10 minutes

→ Tech: Connection Point Game slide

→ Music: Fun music of your choice

→ People: Connection Point Leader, 8 kids

➡ Props: 8 chairs, 2 beanbags

### **GAME INSTRUCTIONS:**

- · Place 8 chairs in a circle facing out.
- Put each beanbag underneath a different chair.
- Invite 8 kids to play.
- Play fun music as players walk around the outside of the circle.
- Randomly stop the music and instruct each player to quickly sit in a chair.
- Explain that the players sitting in chairs with the beanbags underneath must face each other in a game of "Rock, Water, Wind."
- Guide challengers to play "Rock, Water, Wind" as you would play the traditional game of "Rock, Paper, Scissors." (Rock beats wind; Water beats rock; Wind beats water.) Challengers should stand with their backs to one another, count to 3, and then turn to show either rock, water, or wind. Make a fist to choose rock; make waves with hands to choose water; put hands around mouth and blow to choose wind.
- Award the player who wins the "Rock, Water, Wind" challenge 5 points.
- Keep a point tally and play again as your time allows. Declare a winner at the end of the game.

### CONNECTION POINT LEADER

(Show Connection Point Game slide.)

Most of you have probably played "Musical Chairs," but today's game is like no version of "Musical Chairs" you've ever played before. This is "Musical Chairs EXTREME!" It has points! It has challenges! And best of all, it is lots of fun! Who wants to play? (Choose eight kids. Guide each player to stand in front of a chair.)

Players will walk around the outside of the circle of chairs as music plays. When the music stops each player must quickly sit in a chair.



This is when things get extreme! Notice that there are two chairs with a beanbag underneath them. The two players who sit in those chairs will face off in a challenge for points.

The challenge is called "Rock, Water, Wind." The challengers will stand back-to-back, count to three, and quickly turn around to show either rock, water, or wind. (Demonstrate the following as you explain.) Make a fist to choose rock, make waves with your hands to choose water, and put your hands around your mouth and blow to choose wind.

Rock beats wind because the wind can't blow the rock away. Water beats rock because the rock will sink in the water. Wind beats water because water blows wildly in a storm.

The person who wins the challenge earns five points, and then we will play again. We will keep playing until we are out of time. At the end of the game, the person with the most points will be the winner.

Does everyone understand how to play? (Answer any questions and play the game.)

That was fun! Let's say today's Life Point: "Jesus has power over nature." God created the rocks, the water, and the wind. Because Jesus is God's Son, He has control of all creation! After singing another song, we will hear a Bible story about a time when Jesus showed His power over nature.

### **WORSHIP SONG**

- ➡ Estimated time: 3 minutes
- Tech: Music video, mics for singers, lights (optional)
- Music: "Words to Use" (lead sheet available on DVD-ROM) or download a worship song of your choice
- → People: Worship Leader and/or Worship Team
- → Props: none

### **WORSHIP LEADER**

Let's think of some words we can use to describe Jesus. (Allow kids to respond. Offer a few suggestions if kids need help getting started.) Those were some great words! Isaiah 9:6 says that Jesus is wonderful, mighty, and forever! Let's sing together and use our words to praise Jesus!

(Show the music video.)

(Lead kids to sit as song ends.)

### **BIBLE STORY**

- ➡ Estimated time: 10 minutes
- → Tech: Christ Focus and Bible Story slides; Notebook Bible Story video (optional)
- → People: Bible Story Leader
- → Props: Bible

**Option 1:** Use the suggested activity and tell the following Bible story.

**Option 2:** Play the Notebook Bible Story video.

**Option 3:** Do you use Bible Studies for Life: Kids curriculum in another discipleship hour? Wish you could emphasize the same Life Point and Bible verse without retelling the same Bible story? No problem! Check out the "Optional Bible Stories" on the DVD-ROM. This session's optional Bible story: "A Miraculous Catch of Fish," Luke 5:1-10.

### BIBLE STUDY LEADER

(Show Bible Story slide.)

Before we hear today's Bible story, let's play a quick game. Let's think about things that are powerful. I will name two things, and you decide which is the most powerful. Are you ready to play? (Lead kids to respond to each of the following. Before each choice say: "Which is more powerful?")

- •Stand for lion or sit for elephant.
- •Clap for lightning or spin around for tornado.
- •Stomp for earthquake or jump for electricity.
- Wave hands in the air for magnet or touch your toes for rocket.

Good job, everyone! Some of those were hard to choose! There is Someone who is more powerful than all of those things. Can you guess who? (Allow



kids to respond.) That's right! There is nothing and no one more powerful than God and His Son, Jesus! Today's Bible story is about a time when Jesus used His power to control nature.

One day a large crowd gathered around Jesus as He taught by the sea. Jesus got into a boat, sat down, and taught the people while they listened from the seashore. Jesus taught about faith, trust, and obedience to God.

(Open Bible and read Mark 4:35.)

On that day, when evening had come, he (Jesus) told them (the disciples), "Let's cross over to the other side of the sea."

Jesus and His disciples set sail across the sea. Jesus must have been tired from teaching the crowds all day. He went to the back of the boat and fell asleep on a cushion.

Later that night, a great storm came on the sea. Large waves broke over the ship and filled it with water! The wind threw the boat back and forth as the waves crashed over the sides. The disciples were worried and afraid for their lives, but not Jesus!

(Open Bible and read Mark 4:38.)

He (Jesus) was in the stern, sleeping on the cushion. So they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher! Don't you care that we're going to die?"

Imagine that! In the middle of a storm so huge that the disciples thought they would surely die, Jesus is fast asleep in the back of the boat!

(Open Bible and read Mark 4:39-40.)

He (Jesus) got up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Silence! Be still!" The wind ceased, and there was a great calm. Then he said to them, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

Wow! The wind and the waves obeyed Jesus' command! The storm immediately stopped, and the sea was quiet. The disciples were amazed.

(Open Bible and read Mark 4:41.)

They (the disciples) were terrified and asked one another, "Who then is this? Even the wind and the sea obey him!"

Many of the disciples were professional fishermen. This probably was not the first time they had been on a stormy sea. They knew all the right things to do, but soon it was obvious that the huge storm was more than they could handle. They needed help, and fast!

(Show Christ Focus slide.)

Nothing is too difficult for Jesus. Jesus is God's Son, and He has amazing power. Jesus even has power over nature. We can read in the Bible about times when Jesus controlled the wind and waves, filled nets with fish, and commanded a tree to never produce fruit.

Have you ever been in a situation like the disciples? You may not have been in a boat on a stormy sea, but you probably have had a time when you were afraid or didn't know what to do. You can know there is no problem that is too big for Jesus. Pray and ask for His help! Jesus loves you, and He has the power to do what's best.

### WORSHIP SONG AND OFFERING

- ➡ Estimated time: 3 minutes
- → Tech: mics for singers, lights (optional)
- → Music: Use a favorite song or download a worship song of your choice.
- → People: Worship Leader and/or Worship Team
- → Props: clear bin (optional), water (optional)

### **WORSHIP LEADER**

Isn't it good to know that Jesus has power over all things? Even nature obeys His commands! Let's pray together and thank God for His awesome power.

God, Your love and Your power are amazing! We praise You for the mighty things You have done. Thank You for hearing us when we pray and for helping us with our problems. We know that nothing is too hard for You! In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

### **Optional Giving Segment:**

It is time to give our offerings. Some of the money people give helps others know about the amazing power of Jesus. If you would like to give an offering today, ....

(Give your own directions for how the kids can give their offerings. As a reinforcement of today's Bible



story, collect kids' coins in a bin filled with water. Remind kids that Jesus has power over nature, including the wind, the waves, the fish, and the seas. After collecting the offering, guide kids to stand for the remainder of the worship song.)

### **CONNECTION POINT BIBLE VERSE**

➡ Estimated time: 5-8 minutes

→ Tech: Connection Point Bible Verse and Bible Verse slides

→ People: Connection Point leader, all kids

→ Props: none

### **ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Select your preferred version of the Bible verse.
- · Invite kids to read the verse with you.
- Teach the following motions for each key word of the Bible verse:
  - •Got up (arose; awoke)-stand
  - •Rebuked-cross arms to make an X
  - ·Said-cup hands around mouth
  - •"Silence! Be still!" ("Peace! Be still" "Quiet! Be still!")—shout the words
  - •Whisper the remaining words of the verse.
- Practice the Bible verse several times, or as your time allows..

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### CONNECTION POINT LEADER

(Show Connection Point Bible Verse slide.)

Let's read today's Bible verse together. (Lead kids to read your preferred version.)

What do you think would happen if you commanded the wind to stop blowing or the sea to be quiet? (Allow for responses.) Nothing would happen! The wind and waves don't obey people, but they do obey Jesus! Jesus is special because He is God's Son. There is nothing too hard for Him.

Let's work together to learn today's Bible verse.

(Invite kids to stand. Lead the activity.)

### **CONNECTION POINT MISSIONS**

- **⇒** Estimated time: 5-8 minutes
- ➡ Tech: Connection Point Missions slide, "Proclaim the Name" missions video
- → People: Connection Point leader
- → Props: none

### CONNECTION POINT LEADER

(Show Connection Point Missions slide and play the "Proclaim the Name" missions video immediately following the Connection Point Bible Verse activity.)

The missionaries said they were in Romania to tell people the gospel. What is the *gospel? (Allow for responses.)* The *gospel* is the good news about Jesus! Some Romanians have never heard the name of Jesus. They don't know Bible stories about Jesus and that Jesus died for their sins.

We can pray for the people who live in Romania to hear the gospel. Would one of you like to lead us to pray? (Invite a child to lead the group to pray. If no one volunteers, provide a few moments of quiet for kids to pray silently, then voice a prayer yourself or invite an adult volunteer to pray.)

God, we pray for Romania. We pray that the people will hear the gospel and choose to follow Jesus as Savior. Please help the missionaries to reach many people with the good news of Your love! In Jesus' name we pray, amen.



### REAL LIFE CONNECTIONS

➡ Estimated time: 3-5 minutes

➡ Tech: Real Life Connections and Life Point slides; Real Life Connections video; Real Life Questions slides (optional); microphone to take to individuals in group (optional)

→ People: Bible Study Leader

→ Props: none

**Option 1:** Show the Real Life Connections video.

**Option 2:** Use the text below to lead a conversation with your kids about today's Bible story and Life Point. Show the Real Life Questions slides and lead your kids to discuss each question.

### **BIBLE STUDY LEADER**

(Show Real Life Connections slide.)

Have you ever tried to do something so hard that it seemed impossible? Maybe you were studying for a test at school, or maybe you had a problem that you didn't know how to solve. We all have things that are difficult sometimes. Let's talk about things that can sometimes seem impossible.

(Use the Real Life Questions slides to lead your kids in a discussion. Slide questions are listed below for your convenience.)

- •Tell me about a time when you tried to do something that was hard.
- How does God help you when something is difficult?
- •How did Jesus help the people in today's Bible story?
- •What is a good way you can respond when something is difficult?

(Show Life Point slide.)

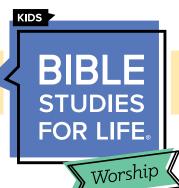
**Jesus has power over nature.** Say that with me: "Jesus has power over nature."

Even impossible things are easy for God. The Bible gives us many examples of Jesus doing impossible things, such as healing sick people, controlling the weather, and even bringing dead people back to

life! God is the Creator, and He is in complete control of everything that happens in our lives—the little stuff AND the big stuff. You can know that Jesus is God's Son, and He has the power to do things no one else can do!

Thanks for being here today! Next time we're together we will learn even more about God's amazing power! See you then!

**Leader note:** If you plan to utilize the post-session Huddle Up, dismiss kids to their small groups.



### THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Parents, today your child learned that Jesus has power over nature. The disciples became frightened while rowing through a storm as Jesus slept. Jesus displayed His awesome power when the disciples cried out for help.

### LIVE IT OUT

Use the verses in the Daily Bible Readings from this page to learn more about Jesus' power over nature. Because Jesus was fully God, as well as fully man, He had power from God. Sing a song of praise for God's power.

### LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

Jesus taught about faith, trust, and obedience to God.

### DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: Mark 4:39 Monday: Jeremiah 5:22 Tuesday: Psalm 148:8 Wednesday: Job 38:8 Thursday: Matthew 17:27 Friday: Jeremiah 10:13 Saturday: Matthew 21:19



### CONVERSATION

### Jesus Calmed a Storm

MARK 4:35-41; LUKE 8:22-25

One evening after a day of teaching by the sea, Jesus told His disciples, "Let's cross to the other side." They left the crowd behind and set sail for the opposite shore, with other boats following close by.

A fierce storm arose, and the waves crashed over the sides of the rocking boat. Sloshing, splashing water swamped the deck.

Jesus had fallen asleep on a cushion in the back of the boat. Jesus continued to sleep soundly.

The disciples were terrified. "Teacher!" they cried. "Don't You care that we're going to die?"

Jesus got up and spoke to the storm. "Peace! Be still!" The wind stopped. The waves dropped. The sea was still and calm. Looking at His disciples, Jesus said, "Why are you afraid? Where is your faith?"

The disciples were amazed at Jesus' miracle. They asked one another, "Who is this? He commands the wind and waves, and they obey Him!"

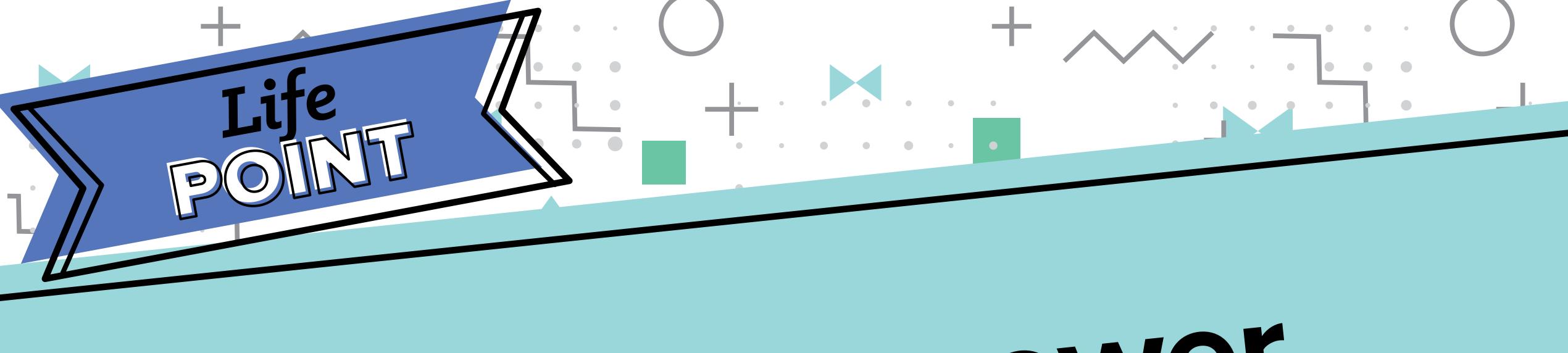
WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: Mark 4:39

**LIFE POINT:** Jesus has power over nature.









## Jesus has power over nature.





He got up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Silence! Be still!"
The wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

Mark 4:39 (CSB)





He arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

Mark 4:39 (KJV)





He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

Mark 4:39 (NIV)





He awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

Mark 4:39 (ESV)





He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm.

Mark 4:39 (NKJV)



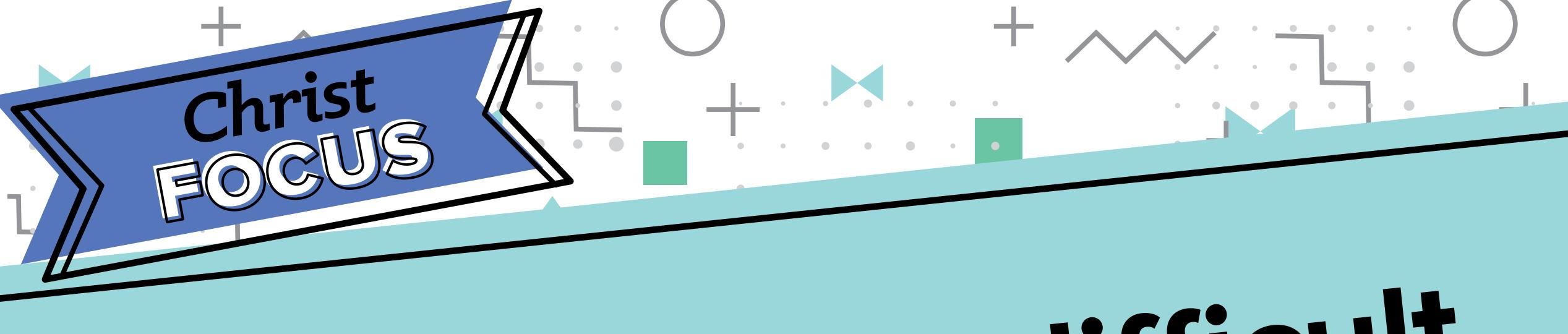
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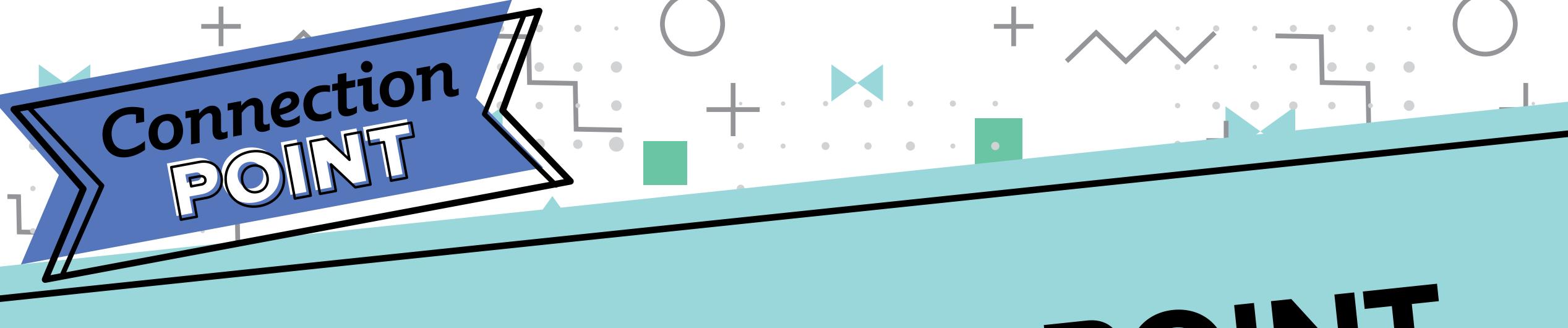
### JESUS CALMED A STORM

Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25

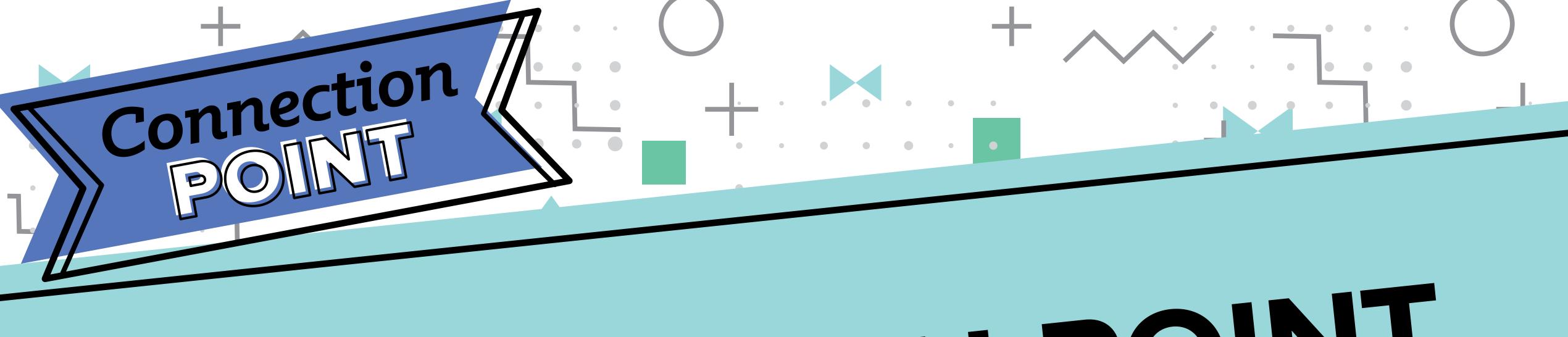




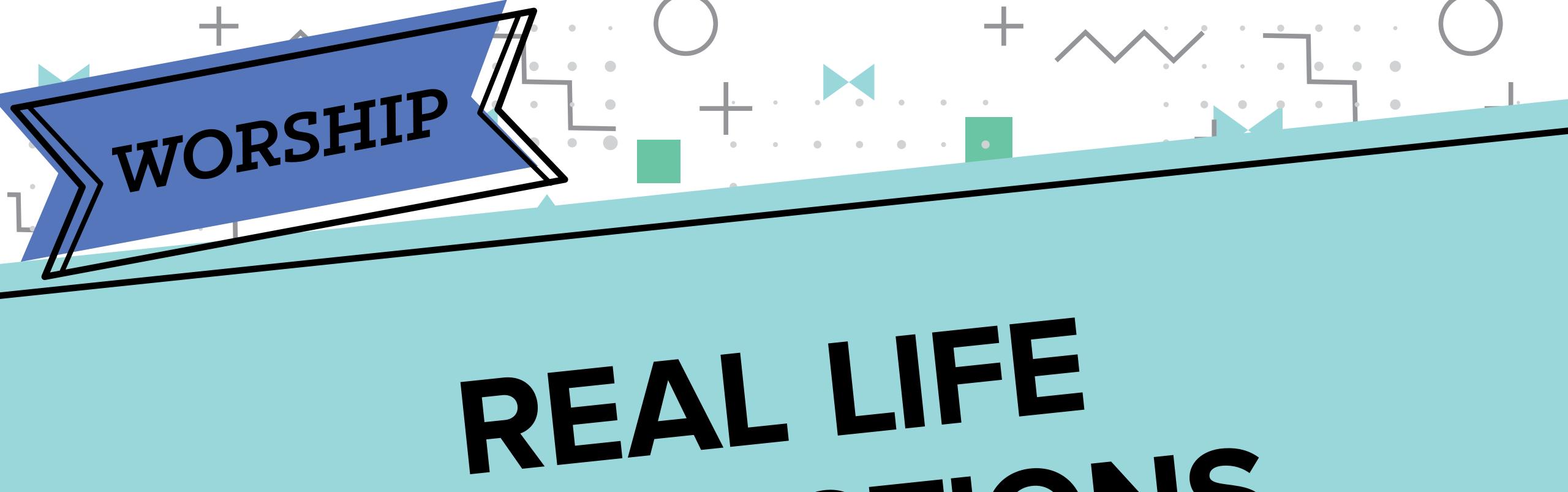
# Nothing is too difficult for Jesus.



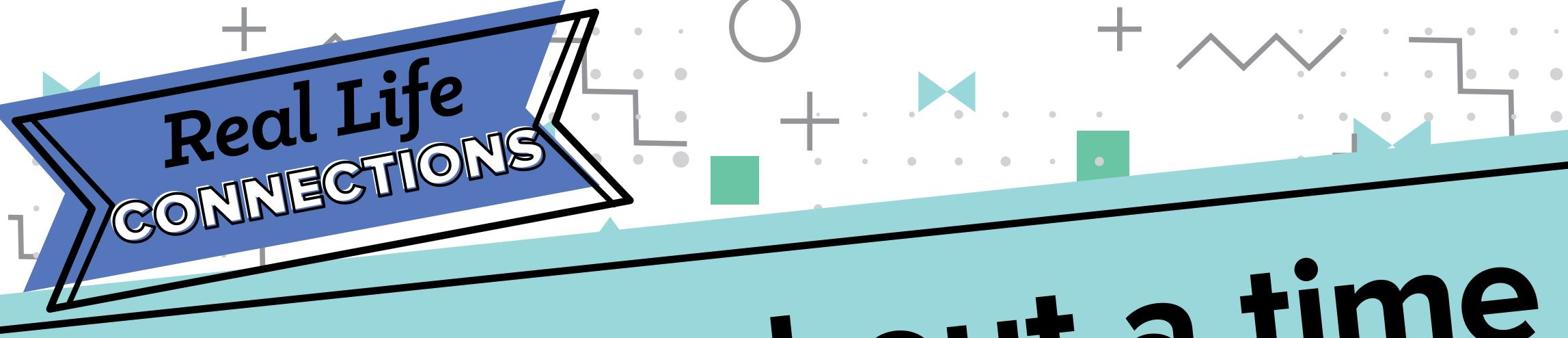
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## CONNECTION POINT MISSIONS



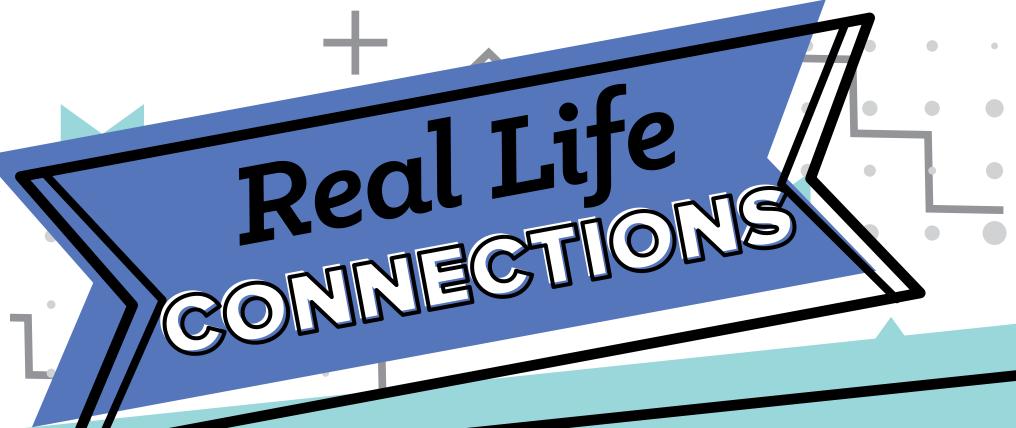
## CONNECTIONS



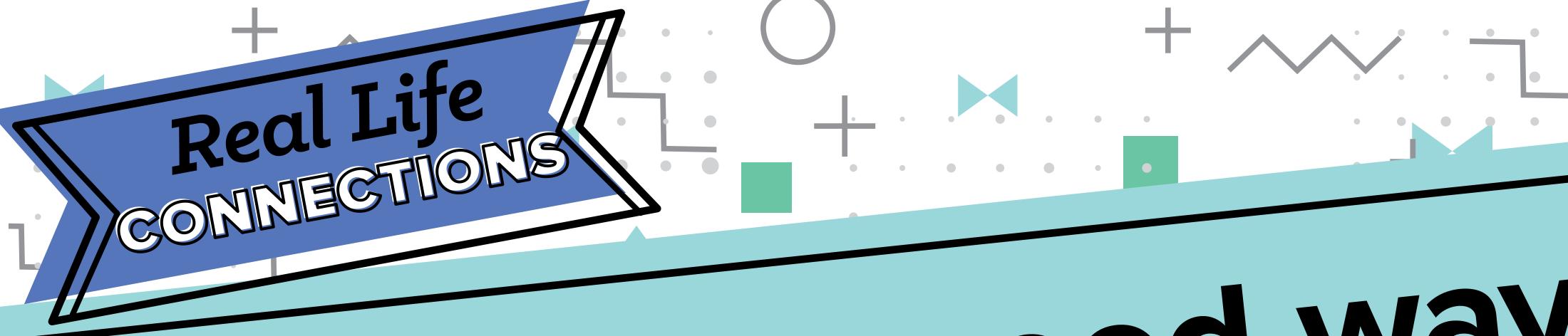
## Tell me about a time when you tried to do something hard.



## How does God help you when something is difficult?



### How did Jesus help the people in today's Bible story?



## What is a good way you can respond when something is difficult?