

Friends Club



*** Bible

Additional Project Ideas

Make a game of it. Have the girls create a game to help Rainbows, Daisies, or Prims memorize their unit memory verse. Coordinate with the sponsor from a younger club and find out what memory verse the kids will be working on, and let the girls get creative. If you have a large Friends group, split the girls into teams and have them teach the kids a different game each week during their unit. Remind the girls to consider the age group they are working with and their attention span.

Character study. Have the girls each choose an Old Testament character to study. Allow each girl to do a short presentation about the character – including what she learned from the character and how aspects of the character's life apply to or reflect her own life. Allow the girls to share during the "How Can Old Testament Stories Apply to My Life Today?" lesson.

Share it. Have each girl prepare a short (3- to 5-minute) Bible study to share with the Friends Club. Give the girls ideas about what to share or where to get ideas.

Hide it in your heart. Have each girl list her five favorite Bible verses or passages and commit to memorize those verses during the unit. Some girls won't have that many favorite verses, so be prepared to have a few verses prepared to give as examples. Prepare small prizes for each verse the girls memorize or provide a big prize or party if the girls memorize all the verses they committed to memorize.

Get creative. Have the girls brainstorm creative ways to hide the Word in their hearts (posters, verses on their mirror, bookmarks, etc.). After brainstorming creative ways to memorize scripture, have the girls come up with verses they'd like to memorize and spend a night implementing their ideas. Bring fun paper, stickers, pens, etc. for the girls to use to make their creations.

Make a journal. Help the girls make journals. Hollow out old books and glue small notebooks inside the old covers or get blank covered journals from a craft store and let the girls personalize the cover.

Sing about it. Have the girls come up with a list of praise and worship songs or some of their favorite Christian songs with lyrics that come straight from Scripture. Ask your church's worship leader to help you come up with ideas, come in and help the girls think of ideas, or talk to the girls about the process of writing songs. If you have musical girls in your group, have the girls write a song using Scripture verses as lyrics. Let the girls teach the song to a younger club. Have a short worship service with your girls and sing songs that all come from Scripture.

Resource Ideas

- *Lectio Divina for Youth Series* available from Barefoot Ministries.
- *How to Study the Bible for Yourself, Youth Edition* by Tim LaHaye, Harvest House, 2006.
- *True Life Bible Studies Series* by Shannon Primicerio, Nav Press, 2007.

Additional Discussion Questions

Discovery #1

- Do you think the Bible is still relevant today? Why or why not?
- What does *infallible* mean? Why is it important for the Bible to be infallible?
- What does *inerrant* mean? Why is it important for the Bible to be inerrant?

Discovery #2

- Why do you think God used normal people to write the Bible?
- What is the difference between someone being inspired to write something today and the writers of the Bible being inspired?
- What does the way the Bible was written tell us about God's character?

Discovery #3

- What have you learned from your own past? Why is important to learn from the Old Testament?
- Have any Old Testament stories impacted you life? How?
- Why didn't we just get rid of the Old Testament after Jesus came?

Discovery #4

- Are there any subjects you'd like to learn more about or study in the Bible? How can you get started? What should you do next?
- Why is "the word of God living and active"? What does that mean?
- Why can't we just learn more about God by praying?

Discovery #5

- Why is reading your Bible such an important part of growing in your relationship with the Lord?
- How can we test doctrines? What does that mean?
- What should you do if someone asks you a question about the Bible that you don't know the answer to?

Discovery #6

- What can you do to get to know God better?
- How can you make time to study the Bible?
- How is your relationship with God be more like a friendship you have with a friend?