LEADER'S GUIDE PRESCHOOL AND TODDLERS

BIG PICTURE:

UNLIKELY HEROES - GIRLS

BIG IDEA:

WHEREVER YOU GO

BIG POINT:

HEROES ARE LOYAL

BIG WORD:

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DOCUMENT PURPOSE

This document is the Leader's Guide for BIG Picture UNLIKELY HEROES - GIRLS. It contains an outline to prepare an impacting small group time for you and your children.

The BIG 'Unlikely Heroes' User Guide document contains all the service element information, including the large group segment of your service.

Make sure you read through and prayerfully study this material prior to your service to be fully prepared to minister to your children.



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Learning Outcomes

At the conclusion of this lesson children will:

- Discover that Ruth was a loyal friend and daughter to Naomi.
- Know that God is with us wherever we go.
- Learn that heroes are loyal to their friends.

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KIDS DISCIPLESHIP GROUP (KDG)

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Use this KDG outline to prepare an impacting small group time for you and your children.

THE BIG QUESTION (TO DISCUSS IN YOUR KDG'S)

1. Who is with us wherever we go?

God is with us wherever we go. At school, on holidays, at home, when we climb a tree and even when we sleep. Wherever we go, we're not alone. God is with us. Deuteronomy 31:6 (NIV) "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

2. How was Ruth loyal?

Ruth was an unlikely hero. Ruth followed her mother in law Naomi when she had to move to another place. No matter what Naomi said, Ruth had made up her mind, she was going to stick by Naomi no matter what. Ruth 1:16 (ESV) "But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God."

3. How can you be a loyal friend?

Being a loyal friend means we stick by our friends through good times and bad. Being a good friend means you are there for each other and take care of each other.





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THE BIG ACTIVITY

Purpose: To remember that Heroes are loyal.

Directions: Before the lesson cut out the Ruth and Naomi puppets for each child. Children can use crayons to colour in Ruth and Naomi and tear some coloured tissue paper to stick on and decorate Ruth and Naomi's dresses. Use some tape to stick a craft stick to the back of each puppet.

Explanation: Today's unlikely hero is Ruth. The name Ruth means "friend". Ruth was loyal to Naomi, Heroes are loyal.

PLAYTIME LEARNING ACTIVITY

Play a game of follow the leader.

Start by doing some actions (e.g. hands on your head, clapping hands, waving arms etc) and have the children follow you copying your actions. Allow a few children to take turns being the leader as everyone else follows them.

Today we're learning about Ruth. Ruth was loyal to her friend Naomi, she followed Naomi, stayed with her and they were both blessed.

PRAYER

Dear God.

We want to be unlikely heroes just like Ruth, help us to be a loyal friend to those around us. Thank you God that you're with us wherever we go and will never leave us.

In Jesus name, Amen

Supplies Needed:

Ruth and Naomi puppets printed from print material files, coloured crayons, coloured tissue paper, glue, tape, craft sticks.

