

kid club zone @ HOME

THIS Week...

This week we're talking about believing in God, even though we can't see him.

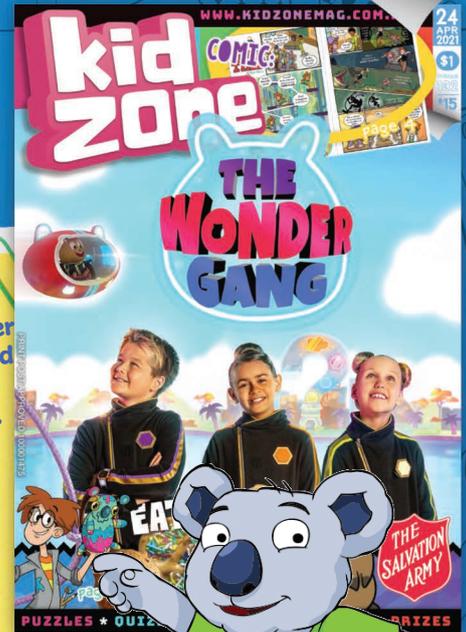
TODAY'S BIBLE VERSES: John 14:9, Matthew 6:30, Psalm 19:1-4, Genesis 1:21

KEY WORDS: faith, God's creation

BEFORE today's lesson:

- Make sure you have all the materials you need for the 'Welcome Zone' and 'Fun Zone' activities.
- Gather together all the required ingredients for 'Grub Zone'.
- Have enough *Kidzone* magazines for every child!
- Print off the 'Beyond the Zone' card.

When preparing your program, consider each of the 'zones' and how they will best work in your context. You may like to mix up the order in which you do the 'zones'. You will, however, need to remember the 'Welcome Zone' (obviously) needs to start the session, the 'Zone In' section needs to follow the 'God Zone', and the 'Beyond the Zone' happens at home. Have fun!



GRUBZONE^{kz}

Use time to get to know your group.

MAKE Cheffy's pretty and yummy pretzel butterflies on page 6. An efficient way to make these in class is to have a 'cooking station' set up on a table, with the pretzel wings on paper plates ready to go for each child. As you fill the pretzels with the melted white chocolate, the children can add the sprinkles and M&Ms.

FUNZONE^{kz}

Choose an activity, based on the theme, to do in smaller groups.

MAKE Oliver's easy gumnut necklaces on page 11. (These can also easily be adapted to be key rings or bracelets.) Gumnuts are usually easy to find under gum trees. If you have trees at your church, have a quick look a few days before to see if there are enough gumnuts on the ground for the children to gather during class. Otherwise, visit a local park like Oliver did to find some!

READ the message at the bottom of the page.

ASK your class if they sometimes wonder if God is real because we can't see him.

CHAT to the children about how we know God is real.

We know he is real through reading about him in the Bible. We know he is real because he sent his son Jesus to live on Earth so that we would know what he was like – Jesus told his disciples, "Anyone who has seen me has seen the father" (John chapter 14, verse 9). We know the things Jesus did and said were real, because they were seen and heard by many people and were written down in the Bible in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Ask the children about some of the stories about Jesus they may have heard – the calming of the storm, feeding of 5,000 and (if they don't mention it) Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. Another way we know he is real is because we can pray (talk) to him and he answers us.

TALK to the children about how you personally know God is real, for example through answered prayer, or of his peace during a hard time, or a time he led you to do something for him.

Remind them that another way we know God is real is by looking around us at his amazing creation. Only an amazing God could create that!

GODZONE^{kz}

 **READ** Samuel on page 14.

 **PRAY:** thank you God that even though we can't see you, we know you are real and that you love us.

 **DO** the puzzle together or if your class is too young, read Romans 1:20 to them, explaining that God is there for everyone to see. If you have time, do the puzzles on page 16.

 **GIVE** the children some paper and pencils and do the Draw With Rod on page 2.

 **READ** the first paragraph of the feature on page 8 – “Ever wondered why a kangaroo has a pouch? Whether baby echidnas are born with spikes or why koalas are so sleepy?” Have a chat about how amazing God's world is and reinforce the God Zone message that we can look at creation and know that only an amazing God could create such an awesome world.

 **LOOK** through the feature on pages 8 and 9 together, finishing with the message at the bottom of page 9.

 **CHAT** about their favourite animals and what amazing features about them they like the most.

 **READ** the comic on pages 4 and 5 together.

 **PRAY:** thank you God for your awesome creation that reminds us again and again how amazing you are.

 **DO** the quiz on page 3 with your fam or friends.

 **DO** the worksheet on page 15 – go outside and look at the night sky with your family and look at God's awesome creation.

 **BEFORE** you go to sleep every night this week, think of something amazing about nature that you can thank God for.

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www.kidzonemag.com.au/kz-club

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