

SUMMER JAM

NIGHT 1

CRAFT

Painting the Temple

SUPPLIES: Temple page, Tempera paint sticks

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Pass out Temple page and Tempera Paint Sticks**

- *“Boys and girls – today we are learning/learned an amazing true story from the bible about a man named Solomon! And God gave him a very important job...he needed to rebuild the temple! And when God told Solomon his job, he hopped to it!*
- *Today we are going to help Solomon paint his temple. I have these special paint sticks that I think you are going to love. When you use them, they go on your paper like paint, but they dry right away! Cool!*

⇒ **Circulate around the room helping as needed and asking questions about their art and the story.**

- *Do you think it was easy or hard for Solomon to rebuild the temple?*
- *Who helped Solomon?*
- *Who helps you do big things?*

⇒ **Complete the craft and Bring it Back to Jesus.**

- *Wow! Your temples look absolutely amazing*
- *God asked Solomon to rebuild his temple and he hopped to it! God was there to help Solomon do a big thing and he is there to help you, too!*
- *Who helps you do big things? God helps me do big things!*

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ACTIVITY

Solomon Bible Story Cards

SUPPLIES: Bible story cards, wall tape or magnets

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Gather the children around you on the floor, near the board, or by the wall.**

- *“In our Bible story today, we learned about a very BIG job! And I have a big job for us too. Do you see these pictures? These are pictures from our Bible story. Let’s see if we put them in the right order!”*

⇒ **Options: Lay pictures on the floor, have children hold pictures, use magnets to hang them on the board, or tape them to the wall.**

- *“First, God told King Solomon to build a very special place called a temple. Do you see a picture of King Solomon?”*
- *King Solomon would need a LOT of wood for such a big job, so he asked King Hiram who lived in another town if he could have some. King Hiram said YES and floated the wood to him on the water. Do you see the picture that goes with that part of the story?”*
- *Then King Solomon needed lots of workers to help him build. Do you see a picture of workers anywhere?”*
- *All those workers started building the temple. They worked so hard.*
- *Finally, thanks to all their hard work and a lot of help from God, they finished the temple! King Solomon was so happy. It took seven years of hard work, but God helped Solomon!”*

⇒ **Complete activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus**

- *“God helped Solomon finish a very big job, and God will help us, too.*
- *Who helps you do big things? God helps me do big things.”*

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REFLECTION AND REVIEW

REVIEW *(This is a great opportunity to give out stickers as they answer these questions!)*

⇒ Key Question and Bottom Line

- **Who helps you do big things?**
- **God helps me do big things!**

⇒ Memory Verse

- **We have the Lord our God to help us. 2 Chronicles 32:8**

⇒ Basic Truth

- **God Made Me**

⇒ Connect it!

- **“Today we learned that God helps us do big things. Let’s make a list of some of the big things that we do that God can help us with. When I say your name I want you to tell me one big thing that you can pray and ask God to help you with.”**

PRAY

Dear God, You are so big and powerful! You know all things and can do all things. Help us remember that You are always with us and You can help us do big things like (read the list the children made). You are awesome, God! We love You! In Jesus’ name, amen.