

## Alley Rundown—October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Today's Bible Story:** Float On (Moses Is Born) • Exodus 2:1-10 (*supporting: Exodus 1*)

**Today's Key Question:** When have you helped solve a problem?

**Today's Bottom Line:** Hold on even when you don't know what to do.

**Monthly Memory Verse:** *Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up.* Galatians 6:9 (NIV)

**CG: Dude Perfect Filler Videos**

**Supplies Needed: Eli and Mandy Superhero Cards (1 per kid)**

“Hey, friends! So glad to see everyone here today! Today is going to be a little different. Today we are going to talk about problems and solutions. Unfortunately, not every problem has an easy solution. Sometimes we face situations where we seem to try every solution imaginable but nothing seems to work. How do we respond in those moments? Or maybe the problems seem so massive that any solution feels too small and insignificant to fix the problem. We want to give up, but how can we show up? How can we find the grit we need to trust God, keep going, and discover the best way forward? Wow. Those are some big questions, some that maybe you've asked yourself recently.

“Thankfully, when we have big questions, we have a place where we can turn for some big answers: the Bible. Since the beginning of this school year, we've seen how the Bible is God's Big Story that shares how much God loves us and made a way for us to find life through Jesus. And in the Bible, we get to hear from people who experienced God first hand and were inspired to write down those moments for people to experience God for themselves—including you and me! And lots of people mentioned in the Bible faced some problems of epic proportions. They weren't sure what to do, but God showed up! Let's check out one of those moments right now with the help of this week's Episode.”

**CG: Lesson Video (Runtime: 13:00)**

“There was certainly no way for Jochebed, Moses' mom, to know exactly how this would all turn out. She trusted God and kept going in the midst of her situation and found a creative solution to her problem. In the end, Moses was saved . . . and, in fact, God later used Moses who was drawn out of the water to draw his people out of their oppression in Egypt. But I'm getting ahead of myself. You'll have to come back the next two weeks to find out what happens!

“Here's the thing, in life we'll find ourselves looking at a situation and just not be able to see a solution. We might be tempted to think there isn't one—like looking at a mountain you have to climb, but you just can't spot the trail. But hold on, even when you don't know what to do. Trust God in those moments and ask God to help you. Maybe you need help with a friendship that seems like it is stuck and you don't know how it is going to get fixed. You have tried again and again. Hold on! Trust God can show you a solution. Or maybe you are really struggling on your team or at dance or in the play and you just don't know what the solution is right now. You want to give up and call it quits. But who knows—maybe there is a solution around the corner that you haven't even thought about. Trust God can show you a solution. God is good, remember that!

“Or maybe you get to be like Miriam. What I mean is maybe somebody else is going through a problem

right now and you get to be the one to step in and help them solve it. You can use your creativity to help them see a solution that they may not be able to see right now!”

“Today as you go to your groups, think about this really practical question:

**SLIDE: Key Question**

“**When have you helped solve a problem?** Big or small, think about a situation that happened when God helped you be part of the solution. Maybe this even happened to you this past week. If you’re not quite sure you have an answer, don’t worry! You’ll get a chance in Small Group to listen to each other. By sharing some stories and examples, hopefully it will inspire all of us to look for solutions that we wouldn’t normally think to look for. And maybe even today we can help each other solve a problem!

**SLIDE: Eli and Mandy**

**OFFERING TIME:**

As many of you know, we are collecting our offering to help our friends at Vida Nueva Ministries in Piedras Negras Mexico. Vida Nueva means “New Life” in Spanish, and that is truly the goal of this ministry. When you give your offering, you are helping our friends in Mexico experience the “new life” that Jesus can offer them. Here is a picture of Eli and Mandy Garcia and their kids.

Before you leave today, make sure to grab one of these Superhero Cards (show cards) of Eli and Mandy. It will help you to remember to pray for them. Also, if you brought an offering you can bring it up now!

**Before we head into small groups, we want to tell you about a special event.**

**SLIDE: Alley After Hours**

We have an extremely fun night planned just for you on Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Alley After Hours is ONLY for 4th and 5th graders!

It’s one epic night of jumpy’s, a glow room, scavenger hunt, crafts, and prizes! Just bring yourself, all your friends and some money to buy candy and slushies, too. And the best part is - we will have an end of the night battle between 4th and 5th graders to see which one of our mystery leaders will be slimed!

It will be a night you won’t want to miss, so register online today and be sure to tell your friends so they can register, too.

”Before we head to Small Group, let’s pray and thank God for being with us and helping us find what we need to keep going. Let’s pray.”

*Dismiss to small groups...*