

## YAHOO for Summer 2022!

This summer Journey Kids is all about how God's Spirit in us *"Makes Waves"* to change the world around us. Included in this packet are ideas about how you can focus on your relationship with God this summer and *"Make Waves"* in the world all around you. Use the Wave Chart to keep track of your progress and earn some fun prizes anytime you see Miss Julie at The Journey this summer!

Add a sticker anytime you:

- Complete an activity from this packet
- Practice your memory verse
- Go to church or an event at The Journey
- Watch or read the weekly Bible story
- Spend 10 minutes of quiet time with God
- Sing worship music for 10 minutes

Choose a Journey Network Campfire event to attend (June 23, 24 or 26), show us your Wave Chart and choose something from The Prize Pool! In July, choose a Journey Network Ice Cream Hangout to attend (July 14 or 17) and Miss Julie will have a fun prize & buy your ice cream!

I'm so excited for you to grow closer to God this summer! Feel free to email me pictures of the activities you complete or send me a fun message ([julie@thejourneycc.com](mailto:julie@thejourneycc.com)). I'll be sure to write back as soon as I can!

Thanking God for His Spirit in us as it changes the world around us!

See you soon!

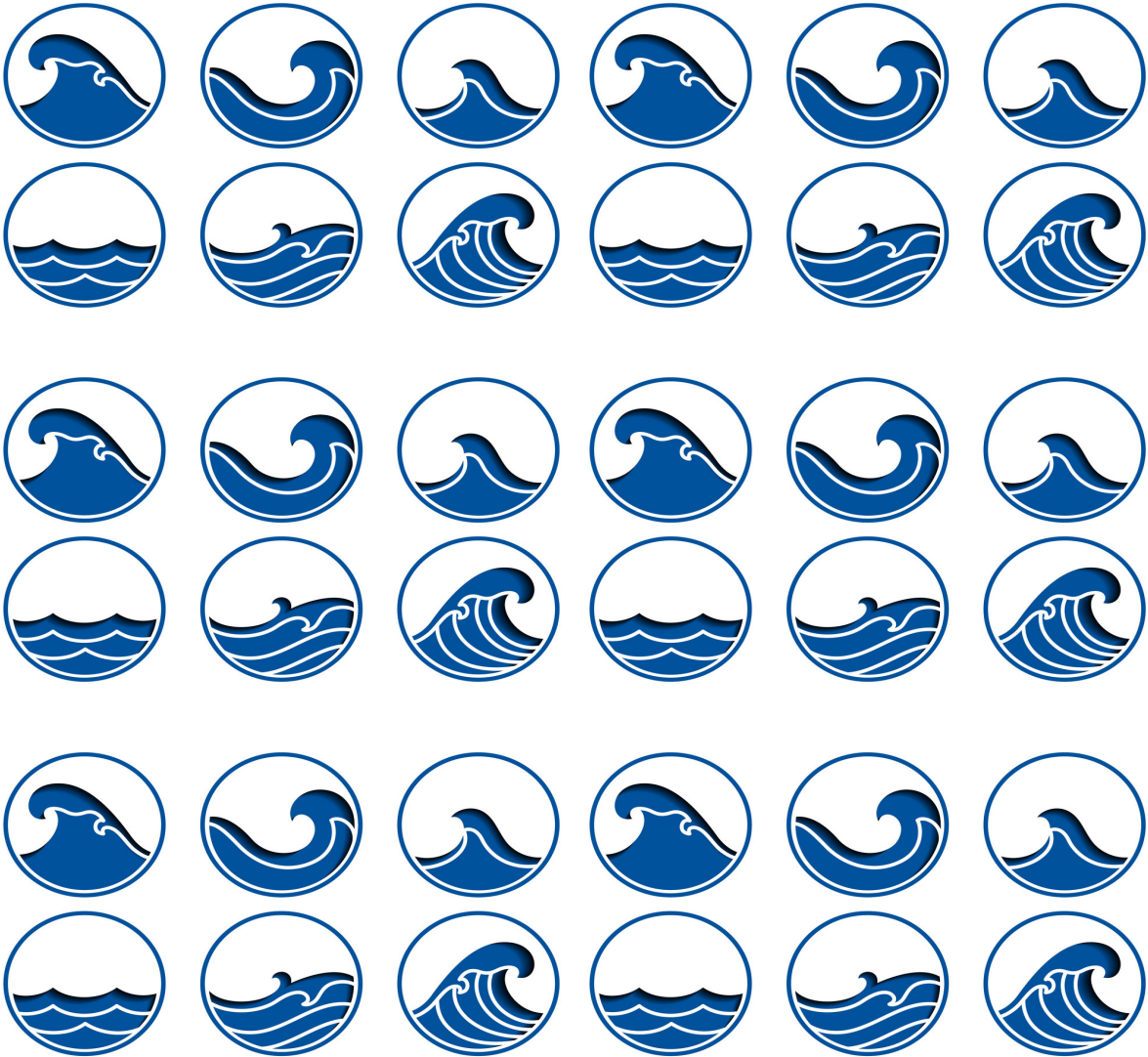
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Jesus can help me do everything.



Week 1: June 19th  Jesus can help me choose PEACE!  1 Samuel 25:1-35

Mark off a wave on your “Wave Chart” for each activity you complete:

 Read 1 Samuel 25:1-35

 Watch the Bible story video on YouTube (Parent Cue Channel)

 Create art, music or movements inspired by the memory verse

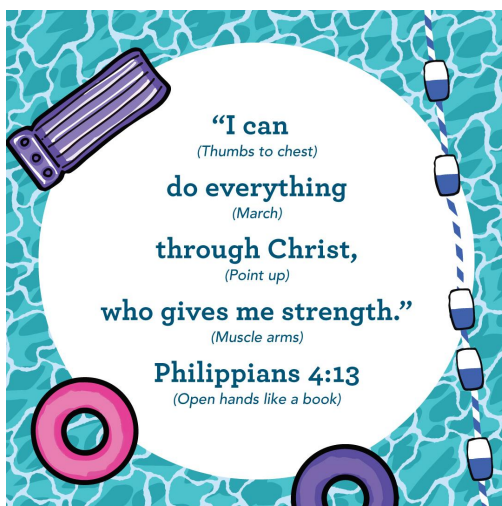
 Complete one or both of the activities below

### PUZZLE TEAMWORK

- Choose a puzzle to complete as a family.
- Find moments to emphasize **working together**, listening and getting along.
- When the puzzle is complete, say: *I love the way we worked together! In our Bible story Abigail chose to **make peace by working together**. When we work together, we can have peace too!*

### PEACEFUL PAINTING

- Turn on some calm music and set out watercolors and paper.
- Keep the paper blank or choose to write one of the following on it:
  - peace, Jesus = peace, or this month’s memory verse “I can do everything, through Christ who gives me strength.” Philippians 4:13
- Encourage your child to listen to the calm music while they paint and **thank God** that His Spirit is always with us and gives us peace.



Week 2: June 26th



Jesus can help me choose PATIENCE



Luke 2:22-39

Mark off a wave on your “Wave Chart” for each activity you complete:



Read Luke 2:22-39



Watch the Bible story video on YouTube (Parent Cue Channel)



Create art, music or movements inspired by the memory verse



Complete one or both of the activities below

### FIND BABY

- Gather a baby doll or figurine and show it to your child
- Tell them you are going to hide the baby and they have to search & find it!
- Encourage your child to **be patient** while they search for the baby.
- After they find the baby say: *Great job! This reminds me of this week’s Bible story. Simeon had to be patient and wait a long time for a special baby (Jesus) to be born. **Jesus can help us choose patience.***

### BEADING/LACING

- Gather whatever bead-type or lacing supplies you have on hand
- Show your child how to add beads to the string or how to lace through the holes
- Give them time to practice this skill and even get a little frustrated.
- Encourage them to **be patient** and keep trying!
- During or at the end of the activity say: *I’m proud of you for sticking with this. **You showed patience when you kept trying and didn’t give up.** Having patience can be really hard but God’s Spirit in us gives us the strength to keep trying and be patient.*



Week 3: July 3rd



Jesus can help me choose KINDNESS!



Luke 10:25-37

Mark off a wave on your “Wave Chart” for each activity you complete:



Read Luke 10:25-37



Watch the Bible story video on YouTube (Parent Cue Channel)



Create art, music or movements inspired by the memory verse



Complete one or both of the activities below

### WHAT DO THEY NEED?

- Gather stuffed animals (various props are optional) and take turns pretending!
- Choose an animal and create a “need” that someone else can meet:
  - Hungry, thirsty, cold, hurt, etc.
- Create a way to help the animal by meeting their need
- Repeat as long as everyone is interested
- Help your child connect to this week’s Bible story by saying: *Thank you for helping our toy friends! You did a great job showing kindness by meeting their needs! Just like someone stopped to help the hurt man in our Bible story, we can show God’s kindness by meeting other people’s needs.*

### KINDNESS CARDS

- Gather paper, markers or crayons and any decorative materials you have on hand
- Ask “Who could we show kindness to today by making an encouraging card?”
  - Family, friends, neighbors, a nursing home, hospital, fire station, etc.
- Write short phrases on the cards and decorate them
  - “Jesus loves you”, “Have a happy day”, or “Jesus is our friend forever”
- Deliver or mail the cards as soon as possible
- Share this with your child: *One way we can help others is to choose kindness. The Bible shows us many times when God showed his love through kindness and we can do that too! Let’s pray and ask God to use these cards we made as a way to show his kindness to others.*

Week 4: July 10th 🌊 Jesus can help me choose GOODNESS! 🌊 Matthew 5:14-16

Mark off a wave on your “Wave Chart” for each activity you complete:

🌊 Read Matthew 5:14-16

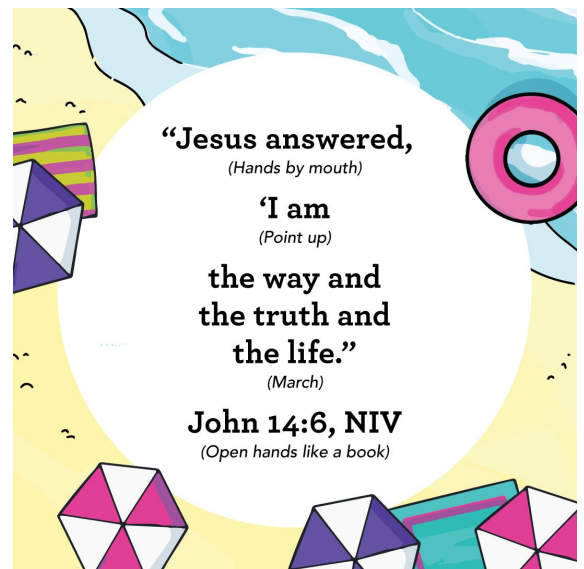
🌊 Watch the Bible story video on YouTube (Parent Cue Channel)

🌊 Create art, music or movements inspired by the memory verse

🌊 Complete one or both of the activities below

### LIGHTS ON, LIGHTS OFF!

- Make sure everyone knows this month’s memory verse:
  - “Jesus answered (hand by mouth)
  - I am (point up)
  - The way and the truth and the life.” (march feet)
  - John 14:6 (open hands like a book)
- Station one person at the light switch
- When the lights are ON, say the verse together
- When the lights are OFF, everyone stands still and quiet
- Repeat as many times as everyone is interested







### FOLLOW THE LIGHT

- *“In our Bible story we learned how a city on a hill cannot be hidden. The light from the city can be seen from a long way off. When we choose to show God’s goodness, it’s like we’re shining a light that shows everyone God is good! Wow! Let’s take turns sharing God’s goodness right now.”*
- Gather a flashlight or headlamp and choose one person to be the flashlight keeper
- Move the flashlight around and encourage everyone to follow the light with their eyes.
- Stop the light and ask everyone to run to the spot where the light stopped.
- When they get there they call out **“I can shine God’s light!”**

Week 5: July 17th  Jesus can help me choose FAITHFULNESS! 1 Samuel 20, 2 Samuel 9

Mark off a wave on your “Wave Chart” for each activity you complete:

-  Read 1 Samuel 18-20 & 2 Samuel 9 (or choose a small section!)
-  Watch the Bible story video on YouTube (Parent Cue Channel)
-  Create art, music or movements inspired by the memory verse
-  Complete one or both of the activities below

### DO WHAT YOU SAY GAME

- Tell your child: *Faithfulness is doing what you say you’re going to do. Let’s practice doing what we say with this simple game.*
- Each person does the following:
  - Choose one action (clap, hop, dance, shake, etc.)
  - Say “I am going to \_\_\_\_\_”
  - Do the action 3 times
  - Ask the next person, “What are you going to do?”
- Wrap up the game like this: *Good job showing faithfulness! When we do what we say we will do, we show faithfulness. God is always faithful because God always does what He says He will do!*

### FEAST WITH FRIENDS

- Make a plan with your family to have a meal with friends.
- Include your child on who to invite, when to share the meal, and what foods to enjoy together.
- Connect to the Bible story by saying: *David was a faithful friend. He made a promise to always be a good friend to Jonathan. Even after Jonathan was gone, David **kept his promise** by being a good friend to Jonathan’s son, Mephibosheth, and giving him a special place at his king’s table. Let’s plan a special meal with friends just like David did with Mephibosheth!*



Week 6: July 24th  Jesus can help me choose GENTLENESS!  Mark 10:13-16

Mark off a wave on your “Wave Chart” for each activity you complete:



Read Mark 10:13-16



Watch the Bible story video on YouTube (Parent Cue Channel)



Create art, music or movements inspired by the memory verse



Complete one or both of the activities below

### TISSUE WALK

- Take turns naming some words that come to mind when we hear the word “gentle”
- Say: *Being gentle is one way we show God and God’s love to people around us. Let’s practice being gentle with a fun game!*
- Give each person a tissue and tell them to place it flat on their head
- Challenge everyone to walk **gently** around the room with the tissue on their head, doing their best to not let it fall.
- During or at the end of the activity say: *This reminds me of how **Jesus was gentle** when the children wanted to visit with him. He was not rough, harsh or rude. He welcomed them gently and enjoyed spending time together.*

### SPAGHETTI & PLAY-DOH

- Gather raw spaghetti noodles, Play-Doh, and any kind of circle shaped cereal you have available
- Place a lump of Play-Doh on the table and stick a few spaghetti noodles into the dough so it stands up tall. Provide your child with a handful of cereal nearby.
- Demonstrate how to **gently** thread a piece of cereal onto the spaghetti noodle.
- Remind kids that they must be very gentle or the spaghetti noodle will break!
- Repeat as long as interested
- During or at the end of the activity say: *You did a great job being oh so very careful and gentle! Wow! Do you know who else was gentle? Jesus! He cared for others in a way that was gentle and kind. **We can show God’s love by being gentle, too.***



Week 6: July 31st 🌊 Jesus can help me choose SELF-CONTROL! 🌊 John 3:16

Mark off a wave on your “Wave Chart” for each activity you complete:



Read John 3:16



Watch the Bible story video on YouTube (Parent Cue Channel)



Create art, music or movements inspired by the memory verse



Complete one or both of the activities below

### TREAT TEST

- Gather a few treats and a timer/clock
- Show your child the treats and let them know they can have some...soon.
- Say: *God’s Spirit in us helps us to have self-control. That means we can choose to stay in control and make a good choice, even when it’s hard. Let’s practice with these treats!*
- Explain the “test”:
  - I am going to put ONE treat here for you and set the timer for 3 minutes.
  - I will go in the other room and when I come back if you did not eat the treat, I will give you TWO treats to eat right away.
- Tell your child: *Good job showing self-control by waiting! Staying in control can be hard sometimes, but I’m glad we have God to help us!*

### BUBBLE CONTROL

- Say: *“Do you remember how we learned about self-control in our Bible story? Yeah! **We can show God’s love to others when we stay in control.** Let’s practice self-control with a go and stop bubble game!*
- *You need to be super still while I blow the bubbles.*
- *When I say ‘GO’, you can pop all of them!*

