



## TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

**Fruit of the Spirit**  
Galatians 5:22-23

## TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

God can help you change  
the world around you.

## KEY QUESTION

What needs to change in  
the world around you?

## MEMORY VERSE

"Whoever believes in me . . .  
rivers of living water will flow  
from within them."  
John 7:38, NIV

## BASIC TRUTH

I should treat others the way  
I want to be treated.

## LARGE GROUP

COME TOGETHER TO RECAP EVERYTHING YOU'VE LEARNED AS YOU PREPARE TO DISMISS KIDS TO THEIR FAMILIES. (5-10 MINUTES)

**AUDIO: PLAY HIGH-ENERGY MUSIC AS THE KIDS ENTER.**  
**VIDEO: MAKE WAVES THEME LOOP**

*Host is on stage, welcoming the kids as they enter.*

**VIDEO: MAKE WAVES HYPE VIDEO**  
**OR**  
**VIDEO: MAKE WAVES 30- OR 60-SECOND TIMER**

## OPENER

**VIDEO: MAKE WAVES THEME LOOP**

**HOST:** "Hello, everyone! What time is it? It's time to 'make waves'! I'm so glad we're all here together for one last day of fun!

"What does it mean to 'make waves'? Well, it's actually pretty simple—and it's an AMAZING thought.

**SLIDE: MAKE WAVES THEME DEFINITION**

**"What you do today can change the world around you.**

"Raise your hand if you think that's true. (Raise your hand.) Yes! It's ABSOLUTELY true!

**VIDEO: MAKE WAVES THEME LOOP**

"Every single person in this room is made in the image of God. We were made in God's image so we can show the world what God is like. And we can do that in our own unique and special way. We can choose to follow Jesus and put our trust in Him. When we do, we have His Spirit to help us!

"As Jesus said:

**SLIDE: MEMORY VERSE**

*"Whoever believes in me . . . rivers of living water will flow from within them." (John 7:38, NIV)*

"When we think about how much Jesus loves us, that makes us want to share His love with other people. Jesus 'made waves' with the way He loved others, and He's continuing to 'make waves' through us today!

"It's kind of like when raindrops fall into a puddle. Have you ever seen that before? What happens? It makes a ripple effect, like this.



**SLIDE: RAINDROPS**

“Those ripples come out from the center, and they ‘make waves’ throughout the rest of the water. That’s kind of like what happens when we show God’s love to other people. It makes THEM want to show love too—and that ripple effect keeps going and going!

“I thought we could play a fun game about that today. I call it . . . ‘Ripple Effect’!

**SLIDE: “RIPPLE EFFECT”**

“To start out, I need all of you to line up with your small group, front to back. The first person should be here, in the center of the room. Then your teammates should go out in a straight line, like this. *(Use your hands to indicate lines of groups going out in all directions, from the center to the edges of the room.)* Stretch out so that your line reaches all the way to the side of the room. Your Small Group Leader should be at the other end of the line.

*Give the groups a few seconds to get in place. Make sure they leave some space in the center of the room, and make sure they space themselves out so that there’s a few feet in between each person.*

*As the groups are getting set, Worship Leaders bring out the beach balls and laundry baskets. You need enough beach balls so that you have three per group; but you can just put them all in one big pile in the center of the room. Worship Leaders also set a laundry basket in front of each Small Group Leader, at the end of each group’s line. Worship Leaders can stay and help with the game.*

*Note: If your room has fixed seating, you can adapt the game so it’s not “in the round.” You can still have the kids line up and pass the beach balls front-to-back, as an illustration of how ripples travel outward.*

“As you can see, we’ve got a whole lot of beach balls up here. And we’ve got a laundry basket for each Small Group Leader. When I say ‘go,’ the first person in your group will grab a beach ball, then pass it to the next person in line, who will pass it to the next person in line, and so on. Get it? It’s a ripple effect!

“When the beach ball gets to your Small Group Leader, then your leader will toss it into their basket. THEN your team can get started on the NEXT beach ball. Did everyone hear that? You can only start the next beach ball after you’ve successfully got the first one into the basket. Cool? Cool.

“Oh—and I almost forgot! You have your choice of HOW to pass the ball to your teammates. Here are your choices.

**SLIDE: “RIPPLE EFFECT” PASSING CHOICES**

*Demonstrate each move, matching the illustration on screen while passing the ball to one of the kids (or Worship Leaders).*

“You can bump it over. *(Do a two-handed volleyball bump.)*

“You can hike it under. *(Do a football hike.)*

“Or you can toss it backward. *(Do a two-handed backward toss.)*



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"Pick any of those three. Then, when your team is passing your SECOND beach ball, pick a different motion. Then do the last motion as you pass your THIRD beach ball.

"The first group to pass all three beach balls down and get all three of them in their team's basket wins! This should be interesting! Let's see that ripple effect, everyone. On your mark, get set, GO!

**AUDIO: "MAKING WAVES" INSTRUMENTAL**

*Comment on the action as the kids play the game. Remind them of the rules as they go (choose one of the three ways to pass, wait until the first beach ball is in the basket before starting the second one, etc.). If the kids drop the ball or hit it in the wrong direction, just go with it and let them keep passing it to the next person in line.*

*When one team gets all three beach balls in the basket, stop the game and congratulate the winners. Get everyone to pass any loose beach balls back to the center of the room (or into their group's laundry basket). Worship Leaders take the beach balls and laundry baskets backstage.*

**AUDIO: FADE OUT MUSIC**

**VIDEO: MAKE WAVES THEME LOOP**

"That was wild! It was fun to watch the ripple effect of all those beach balls traveling from the middle of the room all the way out to the edges. Nice job 'making waves'!

"Let's thank our Worship Leaders for their help getting our game supplies put away. *(Pause and applaud.)* And now they're here to help lead us in some fun worship songs! Everyone stay up on your feet!"

*Host exits—or he/she can go into the audience to participate.*



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## WORSHIP

**WORSHIP LEADER:** “Hi, everyone! I love how this song says, ‘The world is better when we’re working together to share God’s perfect love.’ That’s what it means to ‘make waves’! We can work TOGETHER to share God’s love and make a difference in other people’s lives. If we get that right, we can change the world around us. Sing this with me.

**VIDEO: “LOVE LIKE YOU” LIVE LYRICS OR DANCE MOVES MUSIC VIDEO**

“Last time we talked about something important that Jesus said to His friends, the disciples. He said: ‘Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you.’ Then He said: ‘If you love one another, everyone will know you are my disciples.’ (John 13:34-35, NIV) You see, that’s how people will know we follow Jesus—by the way we LOVE one another. They’ll see Jesus’ love when we choose to **[Basic Truth] treat others the way we want to be treated.** They’ll see what a difference Jesus has made in our lives. Let’s sing about that now.

**VIDEO: “LOVE ONE ANOTHER” LIVE LYRICS OR DANCE MOVES MUSIC VIDEO**

“Great singing, everyone! You can have a seat.”

*Worship Leaders exit.*



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## INTRO VIDEO

VIDEO: MAKE WAVES ELEMENTARY INTRO VIDEO, DAY 5

## BIBLE STORY (LIVE OR VIDEO)

NOTE: If you choose to tell the Bible story live, use the script below. We have also provided a Bible story video, with the same content, that you can show here in place of the live Bible story script.

OPTIONAL VIDEO: MAKE WAVES ELEMENTARY BIBLE STORY VIDEO, DAY 5 (IF YOU CHOOSE TO USE IT IN PLACE OF THE LIVE BIBLE STORY SCRIPT)

## SETTING UP THE STORY

SLIDE: BLANK THEME

*Storyteller enters.*

**STORYTELLER:** "Hello, everyone! We've had a great week talking about how we can 'make waves' and change the world around us. That all starts with our relationship with God.

"The truth is, God has been 'making waves' all throughout history. (*Hold up Bible.*) From the beginning, God created everything in this world. Our world shows us how magnificent God is. On top of that, we were created in God's image. We can show the world who God is. We get to show God's goodness and love this in our own unique way, with our God-given skills and abilities and personalities.

"Later in God's story, we learn about Jesus. Jesus is God's Son. God sent Jesus, to this Earth . . . and Jesus showed love and kindness to everyone He met. Jesus taught people and helped them understand God's love in a whole new way. And Jesus died on the cross so that we could have a relationship with God that will last forever! We can follow Jesus' example and 'make waves' today, by choosing to love others the way Jesus loves US.

## GOD'S SPIRIT

**STORYTELLER:** "Here's the really cool part. We don't just have to do that on our own. I think if we're honest, we'd probably say that it's not always easy to love others the way Jesus loves us. That's why God has sent us a Helper: the Holy Spirit."

*Host enters, carrying a guitar. He/she stands behind the music stand, and plugs in the guitar (if necessary).*

**HOST:** "[Storyteller's name] . . . did you say the Holy Spirit?"

**STORYTELLER:** (*Amused*) "I did."

**HOST:** "Oh, cool! (*Pause.*) Well, you see, I've been working on my songwriting lately . . . and I think I've really been improving."

**STORYTELLER:** "Oh! That's cool! (*Pause.*) Do you have a song about the Holy Spirit?"



**HOST:** “Hmmm. That’s a tough one. I guess I could give it a try. Here goes.”

*Host pretends to write lyrics on a paper on the music stand (which is actually a printed script). Then he/she strums aimlessly on the guitar while singing the lyrics, reading from the script.*

*The Holy Spirit  
Who’s the Holy Spirit?  
Do you knowwww?*

*Part of the Trinity  
The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
Oh! And [Storyteller’s name] just said that the Spirit is our Helper*

*(Speaking) “That’s about the best I’ve got . . .*

**STORYTELLER:** “Wow! That was pretty good, [Host’s name]. I mean, your lyric skills are coming along nicely.

“And I get it—the Holy Spirit can be a little hard for us to understand. Maybe this will help.

**SLIDE: BIBLE STORY IMAGE #1 (JESUS AND THE DISCIPLES)**

“Before Jesus was arrested and put on trial, He was speaking to His friends, the disciples. He told them this:

*Open the Bible to John 14:16-17 (NIRV) and read.*

*“I will ask the Father. And he will give you another friend to help you and to be with you forever. That friend is the Spirit of truth. . . . He lives with you, and he will be in you. (NIRV)*

“When we put our trust in Jesus, His Spirit comes to live inside us. And the Spirit helps us love OTHERS the way Jesus loves US.”

**HOST:** “Ohhhhhhh—like a ripple effect!”

**STORYTELLER:** “Exactly!”

**SLIDE: BLANK THEME**

**FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT**

**STORYTELLER:** “Fast forward to many years after Jesus died on the cross and then came back to life . . . when the apostle Paul was writing a letter to the church he helped start in a place called Galatia. In the Bible, this letter is now called the book of Galatians.

**SLIDE: BIBLE STORY IMAGE #2 (PAUL WRITING TO THE GALATIANS)**

“Paul wrote something to the Galatians that has become a VERY famous passage of Scripture, and it’s all about what happens when God’s Spirit is working in our lives. Here it is.



*Open the Bible to Galatians 5:22-23 (NirV) and read.*

*The fruit the Holy Spirit produces is love, joy and peace. It is being patient, kind and good. It is being faithful and gentle and having control of oneself. (NirV)*

**SLIDE: BLANK THEME**

**HOST:** "Fruit of the Spirit! I wonder if I could write a song about that."

**STORYTELLER:** "I mean, sure! That would be great. Go ahead."

**HOST:** "Cool! Let's see . . . Fruit of the Spirit . . ."

*Host pretends to write lyrics on the paper on the music stand (i.e. the printed script). Then he/she performs the song, reading from the script.*

*Fruit of the Spirit  
Mangoes and grapes?  
Strawberries, kiwis, fruits of all shapes*

*Fruit snacks are yummy  
So is fruit candy  
But the Fruit of the Spirit is something else entirelyyyyy*

*(Stopping the song) "You know, NOW I get it. Paul wasn't writing about fruit—like, FRUIT—was he?"*

**STORYTELLER:** "No—he wasn't talking about mangoes, grapes, and strawberries."

**SLIDE: BIBLE STORY IMAGE #3 (FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT)**

"But you're on to something. Fruit is something a plant produces when it's healthy and growing. The same is true for the 'fruit' of the Spirit. Because we're created in God's image, any of us can show love and joy and peace—all of the 'fruit' that Paul mentioned. Yet Paul is saying that something special happens when we put our faith in Jesus. We're not just trying to do these things on our own. As we grow in our relationship with Jesus, the Holy Spirit works in our life. And these things are a result of that . . ."

*Read from the screen.*

*". . . things like love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.*

*"These things are the RESULT of what God's Spirit does in our lives. Just like fruit is EVIDENCE a plant is growing. These things are the EVIDENCE of what God is doing inside us to change the world around us. They're what God GROWS in us as we follow Jesus.*

*"We can show what God is like when we show these qualities. With God's Spirit as our Helper, we can live our lives this way—even when things around us might be difficult or challenging. That's how other people can see God's love through us!*



### CHANGE YOUR WORLD

**HOST:** "Okay. I think I'm getting it. (*Look at the screen*) God's Spirit can help me GROW in how I show love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."

**STORYTELLER:** "You got it! That's how we 'make waves.' That's how we can show other people what God is like. That's how we show what a difference God has made in our lives . . . as we work to make the world a better place for the people around us."

### SLIDE: BLANK THEME

**HOST:** "Okay. I think I might be able to write a song about that. Let me give it a try."

**STORYTELLER:** "Sounds great, [Host's name]. Take it away—whenever you're ready."

*Host pretends to write lyrics on the paper on the music stand (i.e. the printed script). Then he/she performs the song, reading from the script.*

**HOST:** "Okay . . . here goes . . ."

*People are arguing . . . they need a little love  
People feelin' down . . . how about some joy from above?  
People feelin' angry . . . maybe they could use some peace  
Don't be in such a hurry . . . you've got to have patience . . . you know, like when you have to peel a peach*

*Fruuuuuit of the Spirit!  
It's not about actual fruit  
It's about the things that happen  
When God's Spirit is working . . . in your liiiiiiiiife*

**STORYTELLER:** "That was great, [Host's name]. I—"

*Host cuts off the Storyteller by launching into the second verse. He/she is really feeling it now.*

**HOST:**

*People are looking . . . for some kindness here on Earth  
We know God's full of goodness, and we know what that is worth  
Be faithful, be gentle, so that people know you care  
Have self-control so you don't . . . eat too many chocolate éclairs . . . or chocolate-covered pears . . . or so you don't run too fast on the stairs . . . everybody!*

*Fruuuuuit of the Spirit!  
It's not about actual fruit  
It's about the things that happen  
When God's Spirit is working . . . in your liiiiiiiiife*

*Storyteller applauds. Host bows and exits.*



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**STORYTELLER:** "Well . . . that was VERY creative! And it might have been a little silly in some parts, but what [Host's name] said is absolutely true.

**SLIDE: BIBLE STORY IMAGE #3 (FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT)**

"When God's Spirit is working in your life, you can show love, joy, and peace . . . patience, kindness, and goodness . . . faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. God's Spirit can HELP you show these things so that you can change the world around you!

**SLIDE: BLANK THEME**

### WRAPPING UP THE STORY

**STORYTELLER:** "Remember, God sent His Spirit to HELP us. It's not always easy to show love, joy, peace, and patience on our own. But when we put our trust in Jesus, His Spirit comes to live inside us. Remember what Jesus said:

**SLIDE: MEMORY VERSE**

*"Whoever believes in me . . . rivers of living water will flow from within them." (John 7:38, NIV)*

"The Holy Spirit helps us 'make waves' and show God's goodness to the world!

"Here's a pretty powerful thought:

**SLIDE: DAY 5 BOTTOM LINE**

**"God can help you change the world around you."**

"Let's talk to God about that now."

**SLIDE: BLANK THEME**

### PRAY

**STORYTELLER:** "God, it's amazing how You can work through our lives in such a big way! With the help of Your Spirit, we can show Your love, joy, and peace. We can live each day with patience, kindness, and goodness. We can be faithful and gentle and stay in control of ourselves. Please help us do that even when it's difficult. Show us how we can change the world by 'making waves' for You! We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

### OUTRO VIDEO

**VIDEO: MAKE WAVES ELEMENTARY OUTRO VIDEO, DAY 5**

*Storyteller exits.*



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## THEME SONG

*Worship Leaders enter.*

**WORSHIP LEADER:** "We can 'make waves' in a BIG way when God's Spirit is working through us. Let's sing this together, at the top of our lungs. 'We're making waves,' today and every day!"

**VIDEO: "MAKING WAVES" LIVE LYRICS OR DANCE MOVES MUSIC VIDEO**

"That was amazing! You can have a seat."



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## CLOSER

**SLIDE: BLANK THEME**

*Host enters as Worship Leaders exit.*

**HOST:** "It's so simple and so true: when we follow Jesus, we're 'making waves.' Everyone will be able to see the difference God's Spirit is making in our lives. And God can use us to make a difference for the people around us!

"Remember:

**SLIDE: DAY 5 BOTTOM LINE**

**"God can help you change the world around you."**

"Say that with me."

**HOST AND KIDS:** **"God can help you change the world around you."**

**HOST:** "I love it!

"As you head to Small Group, think about this. What needs to change in YOUR world? What isn't right in the world around you? Is there something you could do to help MAKE it right? Where could you add a little love and kindness . . . a whole lot of joy . . . or maybe even some self-control?

"I know you'll have a great discussion about that with your friends. Have a great time!"

*Dismiss kids to their small groups.*

*Note: If you used the video for the Bible story instead of telling it live, take a moment to lead everyone in a prayer before dismissal. (See the prayer at the end of the scripted story for an example.)*

**AUDIO: PLAY HIGH-ENERGY MUSIC AS THE KIDS EXIT.**

**VIDEO: MAKE WAVES THEME LOOP**



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## GETTING READY

HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

### 1. OPENER/CLOSER

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Host
- Worship Leader(s), to bring out the beach balls and laundry baskets, then take them backstage after the game
- Lots of beach balls (enough that you have three per group)
- Laundry baskets (one per group)
- Plastic bins to transport the beach balls

#### MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS:

- Upbeat music to use as kids enter and exit the room
- "Making Waves" Instrumental

#### LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Make Waves Theme Loop Video
- Make Waves Hype Video OR 30- or 60-Second Timer
- Make Waves Theme Definition Slide
- Memory Verse Slide
- Raindrops Slide
- "Ripple Effect" Slide
- "Ripple Effect" Passing Choices Slide
- Blank Theme Slide
- Day 5 Bottom Line Slide

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Download and print the tech sheet for everyone helping with Large Group.
- Download the slides and videos and have them ready to use. If you do not have screen capabilities, you have Orange's permission to enlarge and print the slides on paper.
- Download music from a resource such as iTunes® and have it ready to play.
- Figure out how many beach balls you'll need (three per small group, plus a few extras, if possible). These can be smaller-sized beach balls that you can buy in bulk. Put the beach balls in plastic bins so the Worship Leaders can easily bring them out for the game.
- Explain to the Worship Leaders that you'll need them to bring out the beach balls and laundry baskets . . . put

the beach balls in a pile in the center of the room . . . and set out a laundry basket at the end of each line for the Small Group Leaders. Explain that, when the game is over, you'll also need them to gather up the beach balls and laundry baskets and put them backstage.

### 2. WORSHIP

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Worship Leader(s)

#### LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- "Love Like You" Live Lyrics or Dance Moves Music Video
- "Love One Another" Live Lyrics or Dance Moves Music Video
- "Making Waves" Live Lyrics or Dance Moves Music Video

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Download the videos and have them ready to use.

### 3. BIBLE STORY

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

*If you're telling the story live instead of on video, you'll need the following:*

- Storyteller
- Host
- Bible
- Guitar (amplified, if needed)
- Microphone on a stand for the Host (if needed)
- Music stand
- Printed script
- Pen

#### LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Make Waves Elementary Intro Video, Day 5
- Blank Theme Slide
- Bible Story Images #1-3
- Memory Verse Slide
- Day 5 Bottom Line Slide
- Make Waves Elementary Outro Video, Day 5



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*If you're using the Bible story video instead of telling the story live, you'll need the following:*

### **LARGE GROUP VISUALS:**

- Make Waves Elementary Intro Video, Day 5
- Make Waves Elementary Bible Story Video, Day 5
- Make Waves Elementary Outro Video, Day 5

### **WHAT YOU DO:**

- Download the slides and videos and have them ready to use. If you do not have screen capabilities, you have Orange's permission to enlarge and print the slides on paper.
- *(For the live story)* Give the script to the Host ahead of time so he/she can figure out how to perform the different "songs." The Host doesn't need to be able to play guitar, but he/she should be comfortable enough to at least strum along with what he/she is singing. The performances are supposed to be silly and comedic—not polished—but you'll want to set up the Host to win so he/she can be as confident as possible.
- *(For the live story)* Determine if you need the Host to be amplified, so that it's easy for the kids to understand his/her lyrics. If so, put a microphone (on a stand) next to the music stand. Figure out how to plug in and amplify the guitar as well.