

# June 3, 2018 Outside the Box

**Bible Story Focus: The Armor of God**

Ephesians 6:10-19

**Key Passage:** 2 Corinthians

**Main Point:** God helps us love Him.

## **Story Time**

Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom to tell the story. Some kids (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's okay. They're still listening and learning!

### **What You Do: Introduce the story**

Paul wrote a letter to say that living for Jesus is sometimes like a battle. Soldiers do not go out to battle without wearing armor. Paul talked about the armor of God. Paul said, "God will help us stand strong. Keep the truth about Jesus close to you. Let Jesus' holiness protect your heart. Keep your feet ready to go and tell people about Jesus everywhere God sends you. Trust in God's Word to help you know what is true. Always think about what Jesus did to rescue you. Know God's words and use them! Pray all the time. Pray for other Christians, and pray for teachers who spread the good news."

### **PLAY BIBLE STORY VIDEO**

Check diapers and serve snack.

## **Craft Time**

Gather small groups of children around you at a table for toddler craft time. Depending on the size of your group, you may lead the craft two or three times. Not every child may want to participate in craft time. That's okay. Feel free to send home the craft materials for them to complete with their mom or dad.

### **MAKE A SHIELD**

What you need – Cardstock (any color), tape, crayons and misc stickers.

What you do - Cut heavyweight paper into a round or shield shape for each toddler. Provide stickers and crayons for toddlers to decorate their shield. Tape a paper ring to the back of the shield to make a grip.

What you SAY - Living for Jesus is not always easy. Paul described it like a battle! We do not have to be afraid because God will help us stand strong. GOD HELPS US LOVE HIM