



Session Eight: God Wants Us to Pray

Today's Point:

God wants His children to pray to Him.

Bible Verse: Psalm 54:2

CSB: "God, hear my prayer; listen to the words from my mouth." Psalm 54:2

KJV: "Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth." Psalm 54:2

Today's Bible Skill:

- Continue memorizing Psalm 54:2
- Know that Psalms is in the Old Testament
- Practice finding chapters and verses in the Bible

Bible Truth Activity:

Game: Help Wanted Relay

Object of the game:

Kids will learn that when we need help, we can ask God.

Directions:

Place simple objects around the room:

- books
- balls
- stuffed animals
- blocks

Choose one child to carry several objects at once. Make it difficult but safe.

After a few moments ask:

- "Do you need help?"
- "Should someone help you carry those?"

Allow another child to help.

Repeat with several children.

When activity is over say: Sometimes we need help. When we need help, we ask someone we trust.

David needed help too. In Psalm 54:2 David prayed, “God, hear my prayer; listen to the words from my mouth.”

David asked God for help because he trusted God.

We can pray anytime:

- when we are afraid
- when we are thankful
- when we are sick
- when we need wisdom
- when someone is hurting

Ask:

- What is something you can pray about today?

(Allow responses.)

Say:

God cares about everything in our lives, and He wants us to pray to Him.

Bible Verse Activity – Clap the Verse

Help children find Psalm 54:2.

Read the verse together.

Say: We are going to clap while we say our verse together.

Clap once after every phrase:

“God, hear my prayer (clap)
listen to the words (clap)
from my mouth. (clap)
Psalm 54:2 (clap)”

Repeat several times:

- fast
- slow
- loud
- soft

Encourage children to say the verse from memory.

Bible Skills Activity: Chapter and Verse Hunt

Materials:

- Bible for each child
- Small sticky notes or paper markers

Instructions:

Explain:

- The big numbers are chapter numbers
- The small numbers are verse numbers

Call out simple Bible references for children to practice finding:

- Psalm 54:2
- Deuteronomy 6:5
- Leviticus 22:31

Allow children to work with partners to help each other.

After practice say:

The Bible is God's Word. Learning how to find verses helps us read and learn more about God every day.