



KIDS WISDOM

# Courage

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## Slide: Welcome

*(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)*

**Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.**

## Slide: Series Intro

**Leader Tip:** Bring two shoe boxes into the group. Make sure the lids are secured on the boxes and then cut a hole in the top big enough for a hand to reach inside the box. Fill the boxes with funny things that would feel weird to touch (cotton balls, wet rag, or cereal). Before presenting the lesson, invite 2 kids up to test their courage by seeing if they're brave enough to put their hand inside the box to see what's in it. Let the kids guess what they touched.

**Before we get into our lesson, I have some questions for you guys. What is something you are afraid of? (allow kids to answer). Oh wow those are scary! Why are you afraid of those things? (allow kids to answer). Those are some good reasons. If you used the leader tip, ask the kids why it might be scary to stick your hand in a box full of stuff?**

**Well, in today's lesson we are going to talk about something that can help us fight those fears! That thing is called courage. Courage is just another word for being brave.**

**We'll learn more about that in a few minutes, but first let's stand and sing a song!**

## Song

*Happy Day*

**Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.**

## Slide: Big Idea

*All together:* The key to courage is waiting for God to show up. **(Repeat)**

## Video

*Play lesson video.*

## Slide: Recap

**So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...**

- Who is always with us when we're afraid? (God)

- Who can we talk to when we're afraid? (God)
- True or False: The key to courage is having big muscles. (F)

**Of course that's not true! Our big muscles aren't going to be enough to save us from danger. We need God on our side to make us brave. Remember, God is the strongest and the smartest. He's not afraid of anything so we don't have to be afraid either. So, when we're faced with something scary like going to a new school or giving a speech in front of the class, we can ask God for help so we can respond with courage, not fear.**

A guy named David knew a lot about fear. He was chased by people who wanted to really hurt him. He wrote a song about how to be courageous. David discovered that he could have courage by doing 3 things. First, remembering who God is. He's the God of the universe so he can help us through anything. Second, he needed to pray and ask God for courage. Third, he needed to wait for God to show him the right path to take and the strength to do it. Doing those things gave David courage and they can help us to be courageous, too.

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

### **Slide: Memory Verse**

**"Wait patiently (pretend to look at watch) for the Lord (point up). Be brave and courageous (stand triumphantly with hands on hips)." Psalm 27:14 (Repeat)**

This verse is from the song David wrote about courage. Instead of focusing on our fear, we need to focus on God and what he can do for us. When we do that, we don't need be afraid of anything. We can stand up to fear and be courageous.

Now, let's all stand and sing one last song together.

### **Song**

*Imagine the Impossible*

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

### **Slide: Big Idea**

The key to courage is waiting for God to show up. **(Repeat)**

### **Slide: Let's Pray**

Pray and release the kids to small group.