



# ADVENTURER

Knowing God's Love

**SMALL GROUP LEADER  
PLANBOOK**





## UNIT 1 MEETING 4

# God's Love Through the Bible



## Bible Study Aims

Club members will:

- know how willing God is to give us good things.
- sense God wants to hear from them.
- pray for a request they have.

## Scripture

Luke 18:1-7

## Prayer of Preparation

Lord, I know You are a God who listens to prayer. Teach me to pray, even as I am in the midst of teaching Your children. Amen.

## Supplies Needed

- ☐ Bibles
- ☐ Pencils
- ☐ Index cards for Application
- ☐ Memory verse sticker for each kid

## Plan Ahead

Gather supplies.

# Learning to Pray

### BIBLE EXPLORATION 10-15 MINUTES

**God loves to hear you pray.** Find Luke 18. Ask which testament it's in. Read or have kids read Luke 18:1-7.

- Verse 7 asks, "Will God answer us when we cry out to Him day and night?" What's the answer? (Yes!)
- Verse 7 asks, "Will God put us off?" What's the answer? (No!)
- **Do you think it was easy for the woman to keep going back to the judge? Explain.** (She didn't want to be disappointed again; The judge was mean; It's hard to hear "no" over and over.)
- **What do you think Jesus wanted to teach us about praying?** (God wants to listen and answer us; Keep praying even if it's not easy; etc.)

**Sometimes it's easy to pray. Other times it's harder. God understands.**

**Let's do Bible award requirement 4, "Learning to Pray," part 1, "Create a Commercial," on page 11 of the Adventurer Handbook.** *Option:* Take your commercial "on the road" to another Small Group.

### APPLICATION

- **Do we always get everything we pray for? Why or why not?** (We may ask for things that aren't good for us; we don't know what is best; etc.)

**God always knows the right thing to do for us, even if we don't. He wants us to trust Him.**

- **What else can we pray about besides asking for things?** (Our day; Good things He's done for us; The important things inside us; How great we think He is; etc.)

**God loves us very much. He doesn't get tired of our prayers. He won't laugh at us. He wants us to keep praying, even if we say the same thing again and again. God wants to hear from us!** Explain part 2, "Spend Time with God," of requirement 4. Hand out index cards. Let club members write or draw.

- **Why do you suppose it's good to include praying in our quiet times with God?** (It helps you get to know Him better; It lets you see how He answers prayer; It's obeying Jesus' teaching to keep on praying; etc.)

**Maybe sometimes you will forget to pray. Don't think God is mad at you. Just start up again.**

### BIBLE MEMORY 5-7 MINUTES

Review Old Testament books. Play a game where you sing the song, stop in the middle of a verse and point to a club member to finish it.

Hand out Memory Verse Stickers.

### MENTORING MOMENT 2 MINUTES

Share about a time God answered a specific prayer.

### CHART PROGRESS

Check off God's Love Through the Bible Bible Award requirement 4 and Bible memory on your Award Record Sheet.

Hand out awards that were earned during this unit.

### PRAYER 3-5 MINUTES

Let volunteers tell the requests they wrote or drew for the Bible award requirement. Take other requests. Jot them down. Allow time for silent prayer. Then read the prayer requests one at a time and ask for someone to pray.

### ACTIVITY

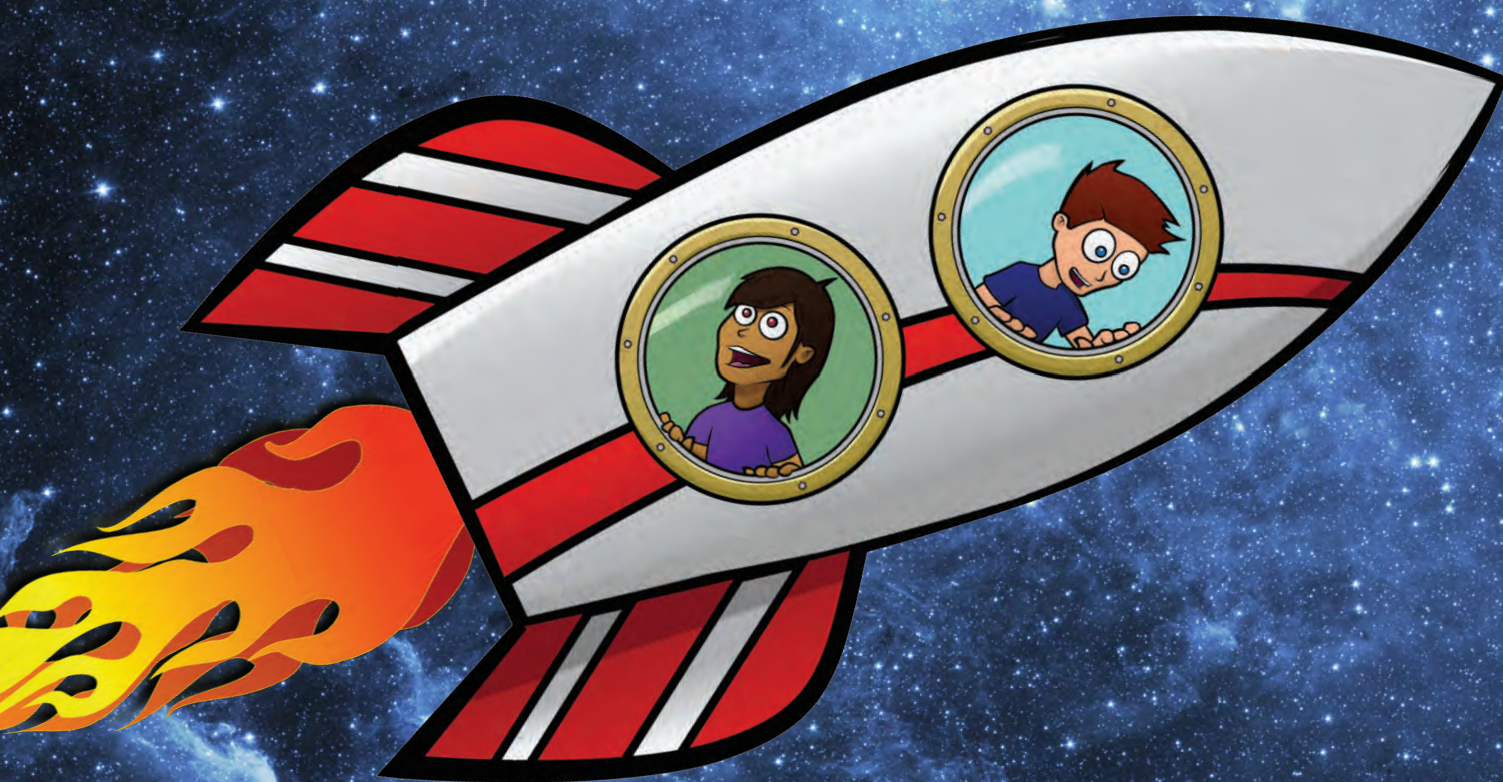
Skill Award and Games Award (20-30 minutes each)





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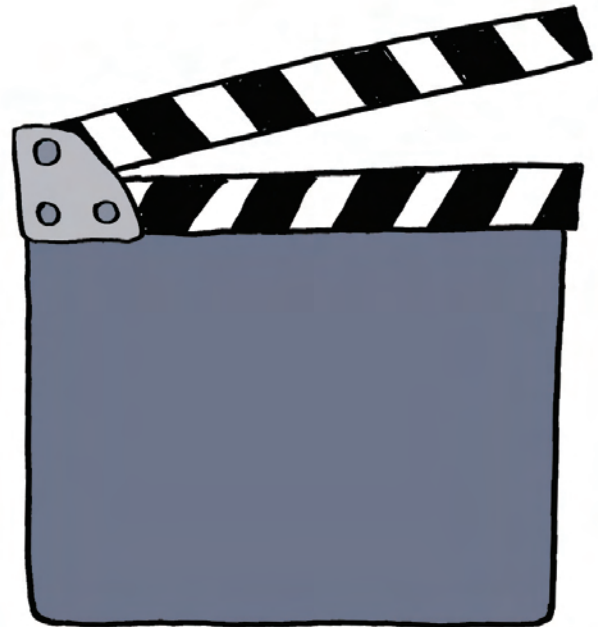


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## 4. Learning to Pray

### ○ Part 1 – Create a Commercial

Read Luke 18:1-7. Make up a commercial based on Jesus' story to get people to pray. Be sure to tell them why it's important.



### ○ Part 2 – Spend Time with God

How are you doing at having a regular time to read the Bible? Make praying a part of that special time. On an index card, write or draw one thing you need to ask God for. Put the index card in your Bible. Use it to pray in each of your regular times with God.

