

## Hikers - August

### Theme Points



**Theme:** Obey God

**Central Question:** Why should I obey God?

**We live by the Bible...**

What is the Bible?

What does it tell us?

What does it teach us?

**We learn...**

It's God's book!

Who God is!

How to live!

**Theme Points...**

Acts 9:1-20-Saul encounters the Lord on the road to Damascus and learns to obey God.

God is my authority.

I obey God!

**Memory Verse:** Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!*

**Key Point:** Obey means to do what you are told. God wants us to obey Him because He has GOOD PLANS for us. We may not understand what God's plans are but we can trust Him. God knows what is best.

**For Teachers:** *Adonai* means "Lord and Master." According to Holman's Illustrated Bible Dictionary its root "Adon" denotes ownership and therefore absolute control. Adonai also describes the relationship between Master and slave. In the Jewish relationship a slave had more privileges than the hired help and was even considered a member of the household. The slave obeyed the master and trusted that the master would provide all the resources to take care of him/her and to do the job required of him/her. As we obey the Lord and live by the Word we can trust Him to provide for us both physically and spiritually.

(From: [http://www.preceptaustin.org/adonai-lord-the\\_name\\_of\\_god](http://www.preceptaustin.org/adonai-lord-the_name_of_god))

### Class Schedule- to be done each week



**Free Play (9:50-10:45AM)**

**Worship** – 1-2 song videos

**Snack** – Children can have two small helpings of goldfish (use the snack scoop) and water.

**Lesson** – Teach the lesson while the children are eating snack. They are already sitting and ready to listen! See the weekly sheets attached for each lesson.

**Transition Activity/Game** – Give each child a puzzle to do. Ask what the puzzle shows. (Each puzzle shows a picture of children who are helping/obeying.) Children can do more than one puzzle.

[Tip: the puzzles pieces are numbered on the back. All number 1 pieces go to the same puzzle, etc.]

**Hiker Challenge** – Use the play dough to play a game on obedience. Give the children instructions such as the samples below. Congratulate the children on obeying.

1. Squish the play dough between your hands.
2. Pull the play dough apart into 2 pieces.
3. Smoosh the play dough flat on the table.
4. Make fingerprints in the play dough.
5. When the children tire of the game give them cookie cutters and ask them to make cookies.



## Hikers Week 1- Central Question: *Why should I obey God?*

### Bible Time

#### Mighty Mouse



*Teacher:* Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

*Mighty Mouse:* I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

*Mighty Mouse:* What is the Bible?

What does it tell us?

What does it teach us?

*Kids Respond:* It's God's book!

Who God is!

How to live!

*Mighty Mouse:* Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!* Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

*Mighty Mouse:*

- God wants us to obey because He has GOOD PLANS for us. We can trust God.
- Our parents want us to obey because they have GOOD PLANS for us. They want us to be healthy and get enough sleep. They want to help us do what is right.
- There's a letter in our Trail Log from a friend. Let's read it.

**Trail Log Entry** (Show the children the picture and read the entry from the Trail Log book. )



Dear Trail Log,

My name is Hannah. I got a new puppy! His name is Patches. Today I took him for a walk on the trail in the woods. He kept trying to run and pulling on the leash. It was really hard to keep up with him. Daddy says we'll have to take him to obedience class. Then he will walk nicely on the leash without pulling. That is a GOOD PLAN. Daddy said that's why God wants me to obey, because God has GOOD PLANS for me. What I want to know is this: Does the Bible say why we should obey God?

So long, Hannah

*Mighty Mouse:* Let's tell Hannah our memory verse so that she will know why we should obey God.

(Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!*

*Mighty Mouse:* Great job, kids! That will really help Hannah. I need to go home now.

*Teacher:* Bye Mighty Mouse.

## Hikers Week 2- Central Question: *Why should I obey God?*

### **Bible Time**

#### **Mighty Mouse**



*Teacher:* Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

*Mighty Mouse:* I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

*Mighty Mouse:* What is the Bible?

*Kids Respond:* It's God's book!

What does it tell us?

Who God is!

What does it teach us?

How to live!

*Mighty Mouse:* Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!* Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

*Mighty Mouse:*

- God has GOOD PLANS for us. That's why He wants us to obey. We can trust God.
- Our parents want us to obey because they have GOOD PLANS for us. They want us to be healthy and get enough sleep. They want to help us do what is right.
- There's a letter in our Trail Log from a friend. Let's read it.

**Trail Log Entry** (Show the children the picture and read the entry from the Trail Log book. )



Dear Trail Log,

Hi! My name is Andrew. My Grandpa and I went fishing at the pond today! It was great until I tried to climb on a big rock to fish from. Grandpa told me not to stand on the rock because it was wobbly. I tried to tell him I wouldn't fall but Grandpa said I had to obey him because he wanted to keep me safe. He has GOOD PLANS for me. Grandpa said it's just like Saul in the Bible. God wanted Saul to obey because He had GOOD PLANS for Saul. Can you look in your Bible and tell me what it says about obeying God?

See you later. Andrew

*Mighty Mouse:* Let's tell Andrew our memory verse so that he will know why we should obey God. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!*

*Mighty Mouse:* Great job, kids! That will really help Andrew. I need to go home now.

*Teacher:* Bye Mighty Mouse.

## Hikers Week 3- Central Question: *Why should I obey God?*

### **Bible Time**

#### **Mighty Mouse**



*Teacher:* Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

*Mighty Mouse:* I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

*Mighty Mouse:* What is the Bible?

*Kids Respond:* It's God's book!

What does it tell us?

Who God is!

What does it teach us?

How to live!

*Mighty Mouse:* Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!* Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

*Mighty Mouse:*

- God has GOOD PLANS for us. That's why He wants us to obey. We can trust God.
- Our parents want us to obey because they have GOOD PLANS for us. They want us to be healthy and get enough sleep. They want to help us do what is right.
- There's a letter in our Trail Log from a friend. Let's read it.

**Trail Log Entry** (Show the children the picture and read the entry from the Trail Log book. )

Dear Trail Log,



We are Sophia and Anita. We are riding our bikes with our friends today. Mom told us to wear our helmets. Our friends didn't want to wear theirs but we told them it is important to obey. Mom has good plans for us...she wants us to be safe. Our friends just laughed. They didn't want to listen. What we want to know is this: Why does the Bible say we should obey?

So long, Sophia and Anita

*Mighty Mouse:* Let's tell Sophia and Anita our memory verse so that they will know why we should obey God. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!*

*Mighty Mouse:* Great job, kids! That will really help Sophia and Anita. I need to go home now.

*Teacher:* Bye Mighty Mouse.

## Hikers Week 4- Central Question: *Why should I obey God?*

### **Bible Time**

#### **Mighty Mouse**



*Teacher:* Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

*Mighty Mouse:* I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

*Mighty Mouse:* What is the Bible?

*Kids Respond:* It's God's book!

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How to live!

*Mighty Mouse:* Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!* Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

*Mighty Mouse:*

- God has GOOD PLANS for us. That's why He wants us to obey. We can trust God.
- Our parents want us to obey because they have GOOD PLANS for us. They want us to be healthy and get enough sleep. They want to help us do what is right.
- There's a letter in our Trail Log from a friend. Let's read it.

**Trail Log Entry** (Show the children the picture and read the entry from the Trail Log book. )



Dear Trail Log,

I'm Craig. My family and I went camping last weekend. Dad had a surprise for me. We got to go on a boat with his friends! I was so excited until Dad told me I had to wear a life jacket. I didn't want to wear it because I know how to swim. Dad told me that I had to obey him because he has GOOD PLANS for me. He wants me to be safe. Dad said that learning to obey him would help me learn to obey God. What I want to know is this: Why does the Bible say why I should obey?

See you later. Craig

*Mighty Mouse:* Let's tell Craig our memory verse so that he will know why we should obey. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!*

*Mighty Mouse:* Great job, kids! That will really help Craig. I need to go home now.

*Teacher:* Bye Mighty Mouse.