



GOD'S PLAN IS UNSTOPPABLE

THE BIBLE:

Exodus 3:7-14, 4:1-5,
4:10-20, 4:27-31

BIG IDEA:

God's plan is unstoppable -
He will use anyone

Verse of the Series

"With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God."
-Mark 10:27

AT HOME GUIDE

BEFORE YOU START

1. Visit www.resonatemovement.org/reskidsonline
2. Set aside a time and place to go through this guide with your child(ren) and let your child(ren) know when and where that is so that you can make it an important part of your day.
3. Watch together or have your child(ren) watch the teaching video on the website.

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

1. Use the prompts to guide you: **PRAY** together, **READ** together, **SAY** to your child(ren) and **ASK** your child(ren).
2. When asking questions, allow time for them to think about their answers before explaining the answers to them.
3. This is only a guide. Parents, because you know your child best, feel free to use it in a way that works for you and your child(ren).

DO TOGETHER

PRAY: Dear God, Thank You that Your plans are unstoppable. Teach us about ourselves as we learn about how You used Moses for Your plans. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

SAY: God has an unstoppable plan to rescue us, but from something more deadly - sin. Sin keeps us from God and He wants us to be with Him forever. God's plan to rescue all people is through a perfect messenger - Jesus, just like how Moses was God's messenger to the Israelites. However, Jesus obeys to the point of death, Jesus does not make excuses. God is always pleased with Jesus.

Bible Story (5 minutes)

NOTE TO PARENTS:

This week, the bible story is from Exodus 1 and we use the ESV version at Resonate. You can read the story straight from the bible and/or download a children's version on our website. Use this guide to review the lesson from the teaching video.

Discussion (5 minutes)

Use the following questions to help prompt your child in their thinking and answers:

ASK: The Israelites that were in Egypt, what happened to them?

ANSWER: The Israelites in Egypt were now slaves and they were suffering.

ASK: Part of God's plan to rescue the Israelites was going to be completed by who?

ANSWER: Moses.

ASK: Moses made many excuses to God that he wasn't the right person to save the Israelites. What were some of his excuses?

ANSWER: Moses doesn't think he's good enough and that the Israelites won't listen to him, he's not a good speaker or that anyone will believe him when he tells them of God's plan.

ASK: Why can it be hard to obey God?

ANSWER: Guide kids to discuss times they disobeyed God. Help them think through what it means to be sinners living in a sinful world. Talk about how Jesus changed things for us. Remind kids that we can trust God to help us obey Him no matter what.

ASK: What are some things God has told us to do?

ANSWER: Discuss some of the commands in Scripture that are general commands to all believers. Remind the kids that loving others, telling people about Jesus, and honoring

their parents are all commands, not suggestions. Discuss ways we can trust God to help us obey Him out of love, such as talking to Him and reading His word.

Key Passage (5 minutes)

SAY: When we read and learn God's word, it helps us to know what God wants to tell us. Let's find this week's verse in the Bible together.

READ: "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." -Mark 10:27

PARENT EXPLAIN: No amount of good, obedience, sacrifice, can pay God off. There's nothing we can possibly do to earn our relationship with God or salvation. No one can do anything to save themselves. Even for the disciples, this was crazy for them to hear this. In that time and in their culture being rich meant you were righteous. Poor meant you were unfaithful or your family was bad. To hear that a rich person can't be saved, that was hard to hear.

But Jesus is pointing to himself to say "But God makes salvation possible" and of course, Jesus is God!

GOING DEEPER WITH YOUR 3RD - 5TH GRADER (10 minutes)

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Here are some verses and a few questions that you can go through with your 3rd-5th grader to help them find a personal application of this week's lesson.

ASK: How did Moses first react when God called him to deliver His people from captivity?

ANSWER: Lead kids to recall that Moses had a lot of questions and excuses for why he wasn't the right person. Moses even asked God to send someone else. Read Exodus 4:10

ASK: What kind of people does God use in His plans?

ANSWER: *Guide kids to recognize that God often uses ordinary people as part of His plan to show His power through them. God, working through Moses, would lead His people out of Egypt. Read Acts 13:17*

ASK: Do you think God could use you in His plan?

ANSWER: *Point out that God can use us even in our weaknesses. Moses wasn't a strong speaker but confronted Pharaoh because God was with him. Emphasize that we can rely on God's strength through us.*

ASK: Do you ever make excuses to not do something because you think you are not good enough?

ANSWER: *Guide kids to share some examples (not trying out for a sports team, comparing themselves to their siblings and their friends). Share with the kids that even though we are sinners, make excuses or believe in our weaknesses instead of God's strength, God continues to pursue us. God's plan is unstoppable to rescue all people and to use us as believers to be a part of His plan.*

Parent's share the gospel connection:

God has an unstoppable plan to rescue us, but from something more deadly - sin. Sin keeps us from God and He wants us to be with Him forever. God's plan to rescue all people is through a perfect messenger - Jesus, just like how Moses was God's messenger to the Israelites. However, Jesus obeys to the point of death. Jesus does not make excuses. God is always pleased with Jesus.

Pray together

Dear God, this story shows us that You can use ordinary people like Moses for your plans and for your glory. Thank You for reminding us that You are in control of all things. Help us rely on You and not on ourselves. Amen.

OPTIONAL JOURNAL ACTIVITY (10-30 minutes)

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Journaling is one way to take something newly learned, reinforce it and make it your own. This can be something that you have your child(ren) do on another day as a reflection activity or something to do by themselves so they can process their ideas and thoughts more. Some questions to think about when journaling:

- *What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?*
- *What does the story teach me about myself?*
- *Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?*
- *Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?*
- *How does this story help me to live on mission better?*

Have them write out the verse of the week or draw pictures that the words in the verse bring to their mind. Allow the Holy Spirit to work in this space.

For younger kids, you can give them some guidance and tell them to draw or write down ideas about how they can put God first in their life.