



The Tabernacle

BIG IDEA: God lives within us, so we can talk to Him anytime we want.

BIBLE BASIS: Exodus 25–31, 35–40

KEY VERSE: “Don’t you know that you yourselves are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God lives in you?” 1 Corinthians 3:16 (NIV)

★ BIBLE STORY

Watch the “Journey Today Show” on JAM Family Church. Have your Bible ready to look up the story!

★ APPLICATION ACTIVITIES

COLORING OR ACTIVITY PAGE & QUESTIONS

As you color, use the questions to unpack the story.

1. Why do you think God wanted to live with the Israelites?
2. The Tabernacle no longer exists. Where do you think God lives now?

ANYTIME, ANYWHERE, ANYTHING GAME (Application Activity)

In our story for today, even though God lived among the Israelites in the Tabernacle, only the High Priest could enter the Most Holy Place once a year to talk to God. But because of what Jesus did on the cross, God’s Spirit now lives in the hearts of everyone who follows Jesus. Now we can talk to God anytime, anywhere, and about anything. This game helps us think through different times and places we can pray to God and different things we can pray to God about.

Make the “Anytime, Anywhere, Anything” dice using the template attachment. Take turns rolling the dice. If “Anytime” is rolled, share your favorite time to pray to God. If “Anywhere,” share your favorite place to pray to God. If “Anything,” share what kinds of things you like to talk to God about. If one of the questions comes up, answer that question. And finally, if “Bonkers” is rolled, everyone has to do the “Bonkers” dance (any crazy dance).

EMOJI PRAYERS (Prayer Activity)

Have each person use washable markers to draw an emoji on the palm of their hand that best describes how they are feeling at that moment. Use the “Emoji Examples” attachment for ideas or just make up your own.

One at a time, show the emojis to each other. Have each person share why they are feeling that way and how you can pray for them. When everyone has shared, pray prayers of praise or request.