# GOD IS OUR STRENGTH

## **LESSON POINTS**

#### Bible Story | Moses Holds Up Staff Exodus 17: 8-16

- The Amalekites came and attacked the Israelites.
- Moses told Joshua to get some men and go fight.
- Moses stood on a hill to watch the battle.
- In one hand Moses held the rod of God.
- When Moses would hold up his arms, Joshua and the Israelites were winning.
- When Moses let down his arms, they would start to lose.
- Moses got very tired holding up his arms.
- Two of his friends, Aaron and Hur, helped Moses to hold up his arms.
- Joshua and the Israelites won the battle that day.
- God provided the Strength for Moses when he became tired.

## MINISTRY IDEA

#### **Soaking Worship**

Have a time of praise and worship encouraging children and leaders to rest in the Lord and soak up His strength.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. What did Moses have to do to help the Israelites win?
- 2. What happened after Moses had to hold his hands up for a long time?
- 3. If Moses didn't remain strong, what would happen?
- 4. Tell of a time when you had to remain strong.

#### **DRAMA SYNOPSIS #40**

Luke is attepting to beat the Stay Awake record. Chance, Speezmaker, and Piper are trying everything they know of to keep him awake. Through God's strength Luke sets the record.

## ACTIVITY IDEAS

#### From Tired to Strong

Give each of the kids a piece of paper to draw on. Draw a line down the middle of the page. On one side of the paper, tell the kids to draw a picture of Moses growing tired from holding up the staff. On the other side, have the kids draw a picture of Moses when God was giving him strength. Explain the difference when we try things on our own, and when we lean on God.

#### Staff of Glory

Give each of the children empty wrapping paper rolls. Let them decorate their staves by coloring them, gluing colored paper/yarn, and attaching gems to the staff.

#### LESSON OBJECTIVE

Children will learn that God is our Strength, and He helps us when we get tired.

#### Through learning that God is our Strength, children will know God gives them strength when they are tired.

**LIFE APPLICATION** 

## **MEMORY VERSE**

The LORD protects my life. So why should I be afraid?

Psalms 27:1b

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