



# ROOTED KIDS

## WEEK 4: Where Is God In the Midst of Suffering?

MAIN IDEAS: Philippians 4:6-7

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

WORSHIP: He's Got the Whole World In His Hands

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ZmpWgzlZtY>

REFLECT: Remind children about our lesson from last week. God speaks to us in many ways.

- Use a Children's Picture Bible to share the following:
  - Moses and the 10 Commandments - God spoke his words to people and they wrote those words down for us (The Bible)
  - The Creation Story - everything on earth is a picture that God made for us to see how great He is
  - The Ascension; or Pentecost - when Jesus left his disciples he sent his helper, who we call the Holy Spirit, to speak to us. The Holy Spirit helps us know when we do something right or wrong. He gives us feelings inside when we know we've done something wrong or when we've done something right.
  - Pharaoh's Dream and Joseph; or King Nebuchadnezzar's dream and Daniel - God uses other people to talk to us

SCRIPTURE: Read Philippians 4:6-7 aloud with the children.

ACTIVITY: Distribute the coloring page to each child. Have colored pencils, crayons, and markers available for students. Give students time to color and talk with children about the discussion questions below.

DISCUSSION:

- We all have bad days. What happens to us on bad days? What do we do when we have a bad day?
- God is always with us. What does it sound like when we talk to God?
- What God has planned for us is better than we can imagine.
- When we believe God is with us, we don't have to worry.

PRAYER: Dear Heavenly Father, We are so grateful for your love. We know you are always with us and want us to reach out to you in good times and in bad. Help us to remember that we can't imagine the plans you have for us and even when it is hard, we must trust you. In Jesus' name.

