



Week 4 – Jesus Promises Me a Forever Prize!

- Bible Story: Finish the race, keep the faith (2 Timothy 4:7–8)
- Key Discovery: Finishing with Jesus is the greatest prize.
- Takeaway: I can always: Keep trusting Jesus when it's hard, knowing He rewards faithfulness.

Parent Connect: Print extra copies of this overview page to share with the families in your ministry.

Week 4 – Supply List

Arrival & Guided Play

- Paper crowns or play medals
- Toy cars and ramps
- Building blocks
- Bean bags or soft balls
- Stuffed animals

Group Game – Race to the Finish Line

- Tape or cones to mark start and finish line
- Small medals, stickers, or paper crowns (optional)

Bible Story

- Printed picture of children running toward a finish line
- Printed picture of a helper giving medals or crowns to the runners
- Printed picture of children smiling and celebrating with their medals

Craft – Trophy Cup Craft

- Paper cups (1 per child)
- Construction paper (yellow or gold)
- Glue sticks
- Stickers, tissue paper, or crayons for decorating
- Pre-cut paper handles (optional, for teacher prep)

Coloring Page and Activity Sheet

- Printed coloring page (1 per child)
- Crayons

Arrival and Guided Play (5-10 minutes)

This week's focus is learning *Jesus promises me a forever prize and Finish the race, keep the faith (2 Timothy 4:7-8)*. Introduce this idea simply and playfully using toys and activities. This flexible time helps everyone get settled into the classroom and ready for the day's lesson!

Toy/Activity Ideas:

- **Paper Crowns or Play Medals** – Let's pretend we're winners! Jesus gives us the best prize of all—forever with Him!
- **Toy Cars and Ramps** – Let's race our cars to the finish! Finishing with Jesus is the greatest prize.
- **Building Blocks** – Let's build a winner's stand for our racers! We can thank Jesus for giving us His forever prize.
- **Bean Bags or Soft Balls** – Let's toss them into a basket! We can cheer when someone makes it—Jesus helps us finish strong!
- **Stuffed Animals Parade** – Let's give our animals medals for finishing their race! We can celebrate because Jesus gives the best prize.

After the children have arrived, gather everyone together.

TEACHER: Let's clean up our toys and come sit in a circle to play a game together!

Group Game (5 minutes) Race to the Finish Line

Supplies Needed:

- Tape or cones to mark a start and finish line
- Small medals, stickers, or paper crowns (optional)

Setup:

- Clear a safe open space.
- Mark a starting line and a finish line on the floor.

TEACHER: Let's get ready for our big race! (Point to the starting line.) Everyone line up right here. When I say "Go," you'll run, skip, or hop to the finish line. Ready? On your marks... get set... GO! (Cheer as they move to the finish line.)

You did it! You finished the race! (Clap and celebrate with the kids.) The Bible says that finishing with Jesus is the greatest prize of all. Jesus helps us keep going when things are hard, and He promises us forever life with Him! Say it with me: **Jesus gives me the prize!**

Bible Story (10 minutes)

Finish the Race, Keep the Faith (2 Timothy 4:7–8)

Main Idea: Jesus promises me a forever prize

Summary: Finishing with Jesus is the greatest prize

SUPPLIES:

- Printed picture of children running toward a finish line
- Printed picture of a teacher or helper giving medals or crowns to the runners
- Printed picture of the children smiling and celebrating together with their medals

TEACHER: (Hold up your Bible.) The Bible tells us that we're all running a special kind of race—not on a track, but a race of following Jesus!

(Show the picture of children running toward a finish line.)

Look at these runners! They're almost to the finish line! (Pretend to run in place.) We keep going even when it's hard, because we know Jesus is with us every step of the way.

(Show the picture of a teacher or helper giving medals or crowns.)

When the race is done, the runners get a prize! The Bible says Jesus has a prize waiting for everyone who loves and follows Him. It's not a medal or a trophy—it's being with Him forever!

(Show the picture of children smiling and celebrating together with medals.)

Look how happy they are! When we finish the race with Jesus, we can celebrate too.

Jesus helps us keep going and promises us a forever prize with Him. Say it with me:

Jesus gives me the prize!

PRAYER TIME:

Let's talk to God together. You can repeat after me.

Dear God

Thank You for Jesus

Thank You that He helps me keep going

Please help me finish the race with You

Thank You for the forever prize You promise

In Jesus Name, Amen.









Finish the Race, Keep the Faith (2 Timothy 4:7-8)



Craft (10 minutes) Trophy Cup Craft

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Paper cups (1 per child)
- Construction paper (yellow or gold)
- Glue sticks
- Stickers, tissue paper squares, or crayons for decorating
- Optional: Pre-cut paper handles (for teachers to tape or glue on)



TEACHER: Today we're going to make our own trophy cups! (Hold up a paper cup.) A trophy reminds us of a prize for finishing a race. The Bible says Jesus has the best prize waiting for everyone who loves Him.

(Hand out the cups and decorations.)

Let's decorate our trophies with bright colors and stickers. You can use tissue paper or crayons to make them shine! (Pause as kids decorate.)

(Attach paper handles to the sides if using.)

Look at these amazing trophies! (Hold one up and smile.) These remind us that Jesus gives us the greatest prize—being with Him forever! Say it with me: **Jesus gives me the prize!**

Name: _____



Week 4: Jesus Promise Me a Forever Prize!

Can you connect the matching pictures below?

