

[The Word of the Lord*](#) (taught in April 2018) (The kids know that this one is my FAVORITE!!!)

1 Peter 1:24-25 For all men are like grass, and their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall. But the Word of the Lord stands forever. (Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made. He spoke and it came to be. The Word of the Lord stands forever.)

*When we sing this at church, we only use the main video (without the woman doing the hand motions) and we use hand motions that I created (because I like mine better 😊). Her hand motions are similar, but in parts they are different. If your kids are familiar with this song, let them know this in advance because they will notice that the hand motions are different!

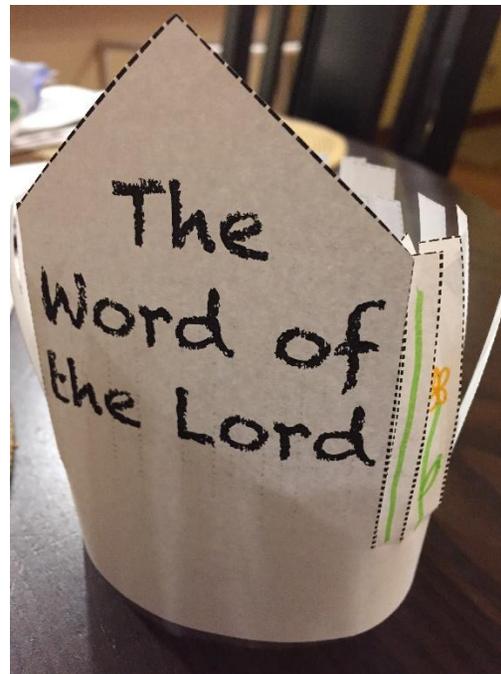
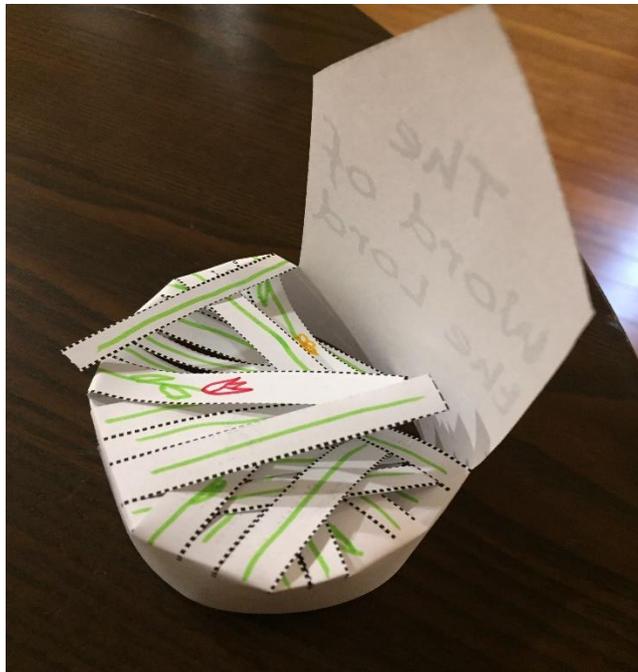
Optional discussion questions/conversation starters:

- Who wrote this? (I know this is obvious to us!! But it's good for the kids!) Who is Peter? (One of Jesus' disciples who is frequently included in the gospels and Acts of the Apostles.)
- Did Peter write a history book? A letter? (a letter)
- To whom? (Read verse 1:1. To Jewish and Gentile Christians scattered throughout Asia Minor. They would have been in Jerusalem during Pentecost – Acts 2, when Peter preached to the crowd resulting in thousands becoming Christians on that day.)
- What does it mean that [people] are like grass?
- What does “glory” mean?
- What does it mean that our “glory is like the flowers of the field”?
- Who are some people that are “glorified” today? (Easiest to use for this lesson are movie stars, professional athletes, etc.) Will people remember them in 50 years? 100 years? 500 years? 2000 years? Forever? (Tie this into “wither and fall”.)
- What does “the Word of the Lord” mean?
- What does it mean that “the Word of the Lord stands forever”?

- Consider talking about the extra part of this song (not written by Peter; each part is found elsewhere in the Bible.) “Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. By the Word of the Lord were the heavens made. He spoke and it came to be. The Word of the Lord stands forever.”
- Ask each person to share something that they would like prayed for. Close in prayer (can be led by one person or each person can pray), specifically including everyone’s prayer requests, and ask God to bless all of you with a greater understanding of how “the Word of the Lord” is unique in that it will last forever.
- Finish by playing the song again!

Optional activities during the week: Pick a Flower, and “Better Than Flowers and Grass” craft project

1. Go for a walk and pick a beautiful flower. Put it in a place where you can watch it every day for a week. Does it last forever?
2. “Better Than Flowers and Grass” craft project (next page)



Better Than Flowers & Grass

1 Peter 1:24-25

For this activity you'll need:

A Printer

Scissors

Crayons, Markers, or Colored Pencils

Tape

Instructions:

Step 1: Cut along the big dashed line

Step 2: Draw flowers and grass between the small dashed lines.

Step 3: Cut along the small dashed lines. Make sure to stop cutting when the line stops!

Step 4: Take each end with a heart and gently roll the ends away from you until the ends cross over each other and the hearts line up. Tape.

Step 5: Blow across your grass and flowers like the wind blows over fields. Are they still standing tall?

Step 6: Now gently fold down all the flowers and grass. Do they stand back up? What is left standing?

