

### Prayer Circle:

*Gather the kids into a circle and have them share needs and pray for one another. Encourage the kids to pray for and invite other kids in the neighborhood.*

### Game Time: Game #1 "Photo Hunt"

*If possible take pictures of several items (about 8) ahead of time. Put 4 of the pictures in one envelope and 4 in another. Well in advance, hide the actual items around the room or yard.*

*Divide the kid's into two teams and give each team an envelope. When you say, "Go!", each team opens the envelope and the first team to find all of the actual items in their pictures wins.*

### Game #2 "Photo Organize"

*Have a volunteer put the actual items from Game #1 in a neat row. Then have a volunteer shuffle the pictures. Have the kids take turns putting the pictures in order. Time them to see who can do it the fastest.*



# Back Yard Bible Zone!

## Quarter 1, Lesson 3

# Proper Developments

### Materials needed:

*A camera and two dark pictures, plenty of film, poster board, crayons or markers, eight items to hide, eight pictures taken before you get to FOLD (1 of each item to be hidden), 2 envelopes, stop watch, small toys or candy for prizes.*

### Schedule:

5:30—5:45 *Free Play Time & Snacks (with adults)*  
5:45—6:00 *Singing Time (with adults)*  
6:00—6:10 *Ice Breaker (object discussion)*  
6:10—6:30 *Bible Story*  
6:30—6:40 *Action Verse/Power Point (game)*  
6:40—6:50 *Review Time*  
6:50—7:00 *Prayer Circle*  
7:00—7:30 *Organized Games*

### Tips:

- 1) *The youngest kids can be helped by the oldest.*
- 2) *Read the Bible story in advance so that you can ham up the story and make it come alive.*
- 3) *Be creative and have fun!*
- 4) *The child should be walking, talking and potty trained to be part of the Kid's FOLD.*

### **Ice Breaker:**

*I hold in my hand a camera that is designed to take great pictures, but look at these shots. They are so dark you can hardly see anything. What do you think could be wrong? That's right, not enough light! You see, this lens is like a little window that I can make larger on a cloudy day to let in more light or smaller on a bright day to let in less light so that my pictures turn out just right!*

*That's exactly what you do with your two cameras. You say you don't have two cameras? Yes you do! We just call them eyes. You see, when your eyes need more light they open the pupils so that more light comes in and when they need less light, they close the pupils to let less light in. That's how you can see so well.*

### **Bible Story:** *"The Blinding Light that Opened Eyes."* (Acts 9:1-19)

*Today we are going to talk about a man who's eyes worked perfectly, yet failed to see the truth. It wasn't until he was blinded that he saw the truth.*

*Saul was a man who hated Jesus and hated Christians. He tried to do everything he could to stop Jesus' followers. He even got a letter saying that he had the authority to put Christians in jail and was on his way to Damascus to do just that when something happened that would forever change the way he looked at things.*

*(Tell the story found in Acts 9:1-19)*

*Saul was changed to Paul and Paul loved to tell how Jesus said, "You are to open their eyes and turn them from the darkness to the light and from the power of Satan to God, so that through their faith in Me they will have their sins forgiven and will receive their place among God's chosen people."*

*Just like it took a bright light for Paul to see the truth, we must open up to the light of Jesus to be saved and in turn, help others to see the light!*

***Let in the light of Jesus so that your life  
will develop properly!***

### **Action Verse:** *John 12:46 (NIV)*

*I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness.*

### **Action Verse Activity:**

*Have each kid make a sign with the verse and power poem on it. Then have them pose with their poster while you take their picture.*

### **Power Poem:**

**Open your eyes and let in the light.  
Follow Jesus and the future is bright!**

### **Review Time:**

- 1) *Why were the pictures dark? (not enough light)*
- 2) *What does the camera lens do to let in more light? (open up more)*
- 3) *What do your eyes do on a bright day? (the pupils get smaller)*
- 4) *In the Bible story what was the man's name before God changed it? (Saul)*
- 5) *What did God change Saul's name to? (Paul)*
- 6) *After Saul was blinded by the light what did he finally see? (the truth)*

### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1) *What are some ways to let in more of Jesus' light so that our lives develop properly?*
- 2) *What are some ways we can help others see the light?*