The Relationship Began
Today’s Point:
The God who created everything wants a relationship with us.
In the beginning God created the world and everything in it. God saw that all He created was good. Then God created people in His image. He created them to have and enjoy relationships with each other and with God. God created Adam and Eve to love one another and work together as a family. God loved and cared for the people He had created. God was pleased with everything He had made.

Connection Points
Day 2
The Relationship Broken
Today’s Point:

Sin messed everything up, but God is still in control.
Connection Points

• God placed Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, and provided everything they needed. The only rule in the garden was that Adam and Eve must not eat the fruit from one particular tree.
• One day Satan, disguised as a serpent, tricked Eve into eating the fruit from the tree. She also gave the fruit to Adam, and he ate it as well.
• By choosing to disobey God, Adam and Eve sinned. When they heard God coming in the garden, they tried to hide from Him.
• God knew what had happened. He knew that Adam and Eve had chosen to disobey him.
• Sin entered the world with Adam and Eve. But they weren’t the last people to sin.
• Every person who has ever lived has chosen to disobey God in some way—except for One, Jesus.
Day 3
The Restoration Promised
Bible Story
Isaiah 7:14
Matthew 1:18-24
Luke 2:22-38
Today’s Point:
God sent His Son, Jesus, to be the Savior of the world.
• Before sin even entered the world, God had a plan to fix everything sin would mess up.
• God’s plan was to send His Son, Jesus, to earth to pay for the penalty for sin. Isaiah, a prophet in the Old Testament, wrote down God’s words so that others could begin watching for God’s promise to come true.
• When the time was right, God chose a young woman named Mary, to be the mother of His Son.
• After Jesus was born, Mary and Joseph took Him to the temple as was the custom. There a man named Simeon took the baby in his arms and praised God for keeping His promise.
• Anna, a prophetess, also praised God for sending His Son, Jesus, to be the Savior of the world.
Day 4
The Relationship Restored
Bible Story
Mark 15:22—16:7
Today’s Point:

Jesus gave His life to be my Savior.
Connection Points

• Jesus was Immanuel — God with us. He grew up just like everyone does. But one thing was different about Jesus — He never, ever sinned.
• When Jesus was 33 years old, the people turned against Him. They put Him on trial and then decided to hang Him on a cross.
• They did not understand that Jesus was about to pay the penalty for sin once and for all with His own life.
• When Jesus died, the sky grew dark and the curtain that hung in the temple was torn in two.
• Some of Jesus’ friends took His body and buried it in a tomb. They placed a large, heavy stone in front of the entrance to the tomb.
• On the first day of the week some women went to the tomb and found that the stone had been rolled away. A young man dressed in a white robe was sitting in the tomb.
• The man told the women not to be afraid because Jesus had risen and is alive again! Through His death, Jesus created a way for people’s relationship with God to be restored.
Day 5

The Relationship Continues
Bible Story
John 21:1-19
Acts 1:4,8
Today’s Point:
Even though I mess up, God still loves me and will never leave me.
Connection Points

- Sometime after God had raised Jesus from the dead, Peter, John, and some of the other disciples decided to go fishing in the Sea of Galilee. They fished all night long but did not catch anything.
- Early in the morning the disciples saw a man standing on the shore. He asked if they had any fish. Then He told them to throw their net on the right side of the boat.
- They did what the man said, and their nets were full. Immediately, they knew the man was Jesus.
- Peter was so excited that he jumped into the water and swam to shore. When the other disciples arrived in the boat, they ate breakfast with Jesus.
- After breakfast, Jesus asked Peter, “Do you love me?” three times. Each time Peter answered “Yes, Lord, you know I love you.”
- Even though Peter had messed up, Jesus still loved him and had a plan to use Peter to help many people learn to follow Jesus, too.
- Jesus knew Peter and the other disciples would need help once He returned to heaven. Jesus told the disciples to wait in Jerusalem.
- God sent His Holy Spirit to help the disciples. That way Immanuel (“God with us”) would always be with them to help and to guide them.