

Music

1. Song Recommendation: "Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)" by Hillsong United

Lyrics/Paraphrase: The song speaks about stepping out in faith, trusting God where you may feel vulnerable or uncertain, much like Peter walking on water.

Suggested Actions:

- Encourage students to close their eyes and imagine a scenario where they are stepping out in faith.
- Pair the listening of the song with a reflective time where students write down their current fears or uncertainties and pray about them.

Connection to Lesson:

The song's central theme of trust ties well into lessons about faith, especially stories like Peter walking on water or moments when God calls individuals into the unknown.

2. Song Recommendation: "Who You Say I Am" by Hillsong Worship

Lyrics/Paraphrase: This song highlights identity in Christ, emphasizing that believers are chosen and forgiven, and part of God's family.

Suggested Actions:

- During the chorus, invite students to stand and declare the truths of the lyrics over their lives.
- Use this moment to encourage students to share which part of being "chosen" or "free" resonates with them.

Connection to Lesson:

This song acts as a powerful affirmation to lessons on identity and worth found in Christ, solidifying the message of being created perfectly and loved by God.

3. Worship Activity: Prayer Walk with "Good Good Father" by Chris Tomlin

Song Paraphrase: The song reiterates God's nature as a loving and caring Father and explores our identity as loved by Him.

Suggested Actions:

- Organize a group prayer walk where the atmosphere of nature complements the song's themes.
- Students can pause at various spots to read scripture passages about God's love and fatherhood.

Connection to Lesson:

Link this activity to themes around understanding God's character and how His love defines our daily walk and relationship with Him.

4. Song Recommendation: "Build My Life" by Pat Barrett

Lyrics/Paraphrase: A song that emphasizes the foundation of life on God's love and teachings, aspiring to live a life of devotion.

Suggested Actions:

- Use this as an opening or closing song to encourage introspection.
- Students could gather around to share how they build their lives on faith principles and discuss ways to strengthen this foundation.

Connection to Lesson:

It supports any teaching that focuses on spiritual practices, such as prayer, study of scripture, and living out one's beliefs with intention.

5. Worship Activity: Silent Reflection with Instrumental Version of "10,000 Reasons" by Matt Redman

Song Paraphrase: This song talks about worshiping God for His goodness, focusing on reasons to praise Him despite life's ups and downs.

Suggested Actions:

- Play the instrumental version softly while students meditate or jot down "reasons to praise" from their lives.
- Follow up with a group sharing circle or testimonies based on their reflections.

Connection to Lesson:

Ideal for lessons on gratitude and praise, encouraging students to remain thankful and recognize God's blessings amidst challenges.