

Music

Worship Activities for 'Deuteronomy 12'

Song Suggestions

1. "Obey, Obey the Lord"

- Paraphrase Lyrics:
- Verse 1: "When we follow God's commands, joy will fill the land! Obey, obey the Lord!"
- Chorus: "We will listen and we'll learn, every single word. Obey, obey the Lord!"
- Actions:
- Clap hands to the rhythm on "obey."
- Make a "listening" gesture by cupping a hand to the ear on "listen."
- Point upwards when mentioning "the Lord."
- Connection:
- This song emphasizes the importance of obedience and following God's commands, which is a central theme of Deuteronomy 12.

2. "Worship in His Way"

- Paraphrase Lyrics:
- Verse 1: "God shows the way, we follow along, worship in His way, happy and strong."
- Chorus: "Sing a joyful song, as we praise His name, worship in His way, nothing is the same!"
- Actions:
- Pretend to walk in place on "follow along."
- Lift arms up in praise during the chorus.
- Connection:
- The song reminds students of worshiping God in the way He instructs, echoing the directives in Deuteronomy 12 about centralized worship.

Worship Activity Idea: "Follow God's Plan"

- Materials Needed: Paper, crayons, and space for movement.
- Activity Steps:
 1. Introduction: Briefly introduce the idea of Deuteronomy 12, focusing on the theme of obeying God's instructions.
 2. Drawing God's Plan: Have students draw a simple step-by-step plan (using symbols or pictures) that represents following a simple instruction. Explain how God gave instructions to the Israelites.
 3. Follow the Leader Game: Play a game where one child leads, and the others follow, emphasizing careful listening and observing as a way to reflect on obeying God.
- Connection:
- This activity encourages children to think about what it means to follow directions carefully, much like the instructions in Deuteronomy 12 about worshiping God in specific ways.

These songs and activities are designed to both engage the children and teach them about the importance of obedience and worship according to God's plan, as outlined in Deuteronomy 12.