Music

Song Recommendations:

1. "Gideon, Mighty Warrior"
- Lyrics Paraphrase: "God called Gideon, a mighty warrior, to set His people free. With just a few, God came through, and victory He did decree."
- Suggested Actions: Encourage students to act out being warriors by marching in place, holding pretend swords, and cheering "Victory in the Lord!"
- Connection to Lesson: This song highlights Gideon's role as a leader chosen by God, emphasizing trust and faith in God's plan amidst overwhelming odds.

2. "Trust and Obey" (Simplified Version)
- Lyrics Paraphrase: "When we trust and we obey, God will lead us all the way. Follow His commands, in His mighty hands."
- Suggested Actions: Create a simple hand-clapping pattern for the refrain and use follow-the-leader style actions for verses.
- Connection to Lesson: Reinforces the idea that trusting and obeying God leads to success, as demonstrated by Gideon's victory.

Worship Activities:

1. Gideon's 300 Battle:
- Activity: Re-enact the story with students playing the roles of Gideon's army. Use craft supplies to create trumpets and torches. Students can shout "For the Lord and Gideon!" to simulate the battle.
- Connection to Lesson: Provides a practical demonstration of how God used a small group to achieve victory, emphasizing the power of faith and obedience.

2. Faith Shield Craft:
- Activity: Have students create shields from paper plates, decorating them with symbols or words representing trust and faith. While crafting, discuss how Gideon's faith was his shield.
- Connection to Lesson: The shield symbolizes how faith can protect and guide us, much like it did for Gideon and his army.

3. Memory Verse Relay Race:
- Activity: Use a key verse from Judges 8 (e.g., Judges 8:4) as a memory verse. Divide students into teams to race in recalling or assembling the verse from memory.
- Connection to Lesson: Encourages memorization and understanding of scripture, highlighting the perseverance and faith displayed by God's people.