



# DAY 3 TO MARS AND BEYOND!

**POWER LAUNCHER:** *Go Beyond with Kindness!*

BECAUSE OF OUR FAITH, WE CAN SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH OTHERS THROUGH OUR WORDS AND ACTIONS.



## OPENING

Watch opening greeting by Commander Cade Baccus, Second in Command C'Lee, and EP3-20 on our website ([www.leanderumc.org/vbs/](http://www.leanderumc.org/vbs/))



## STORY

The Good Samaritan Helps a Fellow Traveler (Luke 10:25-37)  
Watch the skit on our website ([www.leanderumc.org/vbs/](http://www.leanderumc.org/vbs/))



## CRAFT

### OUT OF THIS WORLD CANVAS ART

There should be supplies in your Jet Pack for each Voyager to create his or her own masterpiece.

#### GATHER YOUR SUPPLIES:

- **From Jet Pack:** Canvas board; paint; glitter glue; kosher salt
- **From home:** Cup of water to clean your brush; cover your work area

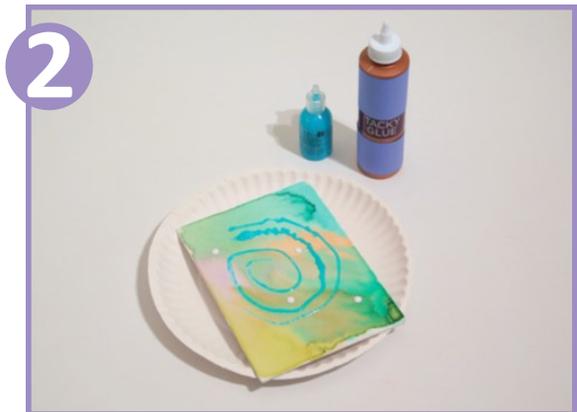
**Say:** We are going to create a canvas painting of our solar system to remember that God created the whole universe and everything in it.

As you are creating your art piece, talk about:

- Ways you can be kind and helpful, like the Good Samaritan
- How can this craft help you remember to be kind?



**STEP 1:** Voyagers paint the canvas board with watercolors. Cover the whole board with random painting; no particular design required.



**STEP 2:** Voyagers squeeze glitter glue in a swirl shape to represent the solar system. Drop a few blobs of glitter glue to represent the planets (not too much, as the glue will spread).





**STEP 3:** Voyagers sprinkle about a teaspoon of Kosher salt across the whole area of the canvas.



**STEP 4:** Set your masterpieces aside to dry.



## SCIENCE

### LAVA LAMPS

#### GATHER YOUR SUPPLIES:

- **From Jet Pack:** Water bottle; vegetable oil; food coloring; Alka seltzer tablets; chopstick
- **From home:** Pitcher of water

There is enough in your Jet Pack for each Voyager. As you are introducing the activity, have the kids drink the water out of the water bottle. Also, note that you will use food coloring for tomorrow's science experiment so don't use it all today.

#### OBSERVATION

**Say:** In our Bible Story, we learned about two people groups who normally did not mix very well and how an act of kindness brought about a big change. In this experiment, we will see some other substances that do and do not mix well.

Review Scientific Method (refer back to it on Day 1)

Show the children your supplies.

#### Ask:

- Have you seen materials like this before? How do we normally use them?
- Have you ever tried to mix oil and water before? What happened?

#### QUESTION & HYPOTHESIS

**Say:** What do you think will happen when we mix these materials together? Let's test it!

#### EXPERIMENT:

- Make sure your water bottle is completely empty
- Fill it up about 2/3 with vegetable oil
- Fill up the rest of the bottle with water, leaving just a little space at the top.
- Notice that the water sinks below the vegetable oil. Oil and water do not mix. The oil floats on the surface because the water is heavier (has a higher density) than the oil.
- Add some drops of food coloring.
- Notice the food coloring will only mix with the water and not the oil.
- Use the chopstick to mix the food coloring with the water (don't shake it).



- Break the Alka Seltzer tablet into 4 pieces.
- Drop them one at a time into your lava lamp and watch what happens. It should look something like this:



### ANALYZE & APPLY

#### *How Does it Work?*

When you drop in the Alka Seltzer, it sinks to the bottom and starts dissolving. As it dissolves, it forms a gas bubble which rises to the top and takes a little of the colored water with it. The gas bubble breaks on the surface and the colored water sinks back to the bottom.

### BIBLE TIE-IN!

**Say:** Just like the Alka seltzer tablets brought the water and oil together in our experiment, the Good Samaritan’s act of kindness brought people together who otherwise did not mix well. When we are kind to others, we can help bring people together too!

Think about people in your life that don’t mix well together. What can you do to help bring them together?



## GAME

### SEARCHING FOR MARS

#### GATHER SUPPLIES FROM AROUND YOUR HOME:

- Red button, red checker, or any other small red object that will fit in a child’s hand

#### SET UP

Clear a space so everyone can sit in a circle.

**Say:** Our Bible story today was all about helping others. We are going to play a game where we help each other protect our Mars!

#### LET’S PLAY!

- Have children and adults sit in a circle.
- Show them your Mars object
- Choose an “It”
- **Say:** Everyone else is to pass the Mars button around and try to keep “It” for figuring out who has Mars. You can change directions. You can pretend to pass Mars even if you don’t have it. When “It” thinks that he or she knows who is holding Mars, “It” yells stop. “It” says who has Mars. If “It” is right, the two Voyagers change places and a new person becomes “It”. If “It” is wrong, keep playing until “It” guesses correctly.
- Play as many rounds as you want.



## BIBLE TIE-IN:

### Ask:

- In this game, we helped each other pass and protect our Mars button. What are some other ways we can help each other?
- Who was the helper in the story today?
- How do you think we can help others in our community?

**Say:** Just like the good Samaritan, we can go beyond with kindness to reach out and help others who are different from ourselves. Let's say our Power Launcher together: Go Beyond in Kindness.



## CLOSING

Close by saying the Vector Verse together several times:

*Glory to God who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us!*  
**Ephesians 3:20:**

Watch the benediction from Pastor Laura on our website ([www.leanderumc.org/VBS](http://www.leanderumc.org/VBS))

