Acts 24:24-27 One Day or Day One?

Scripture: Acts 24:24-27

<u>Memory Verse:</u> James 4:14 "You do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away."

<u>Lesson Focus:</u> After watching the last episode of the Bible Backroads Series on Acts, we will hone in on how Felix "dilly-dally'd" in responding to the gospel. We will also challenge the kids to not delay, but make today "*Day One*" of living for Jesus!

<u>Activities and Crafts:</u> Paul Before Felix Coloring Picture, Word Search of different terms from lesson, Find the Treasure Discussion for $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$. Craft for $1^{st}/2^{nd}$ Grade: One Day or Day One Wheel

Lesson Activity: Bible Backroads Video and Kahoot

We will keep all of the kids in the Summit Room immediately after worship for the last Bible Backroads Video and a corresponding Kahoot Quiz game. This video will give us a tour of the rest of Acts. To preview it, you can find it here on Rightnow Media.

The video and quiz will take up the bulk of the lesson time, but afterwards in class, please spend some focused time reviewing governor Felix's response to Paul's appeal in **Acts 24:24-27**. * Summarize how Felix has heard the charges brought by the Jews as well as Paul's defense and yet he has procrastinated or "dilly-dally'd" on making a final decision. Q: What are some things that you procrastinate or "dilly-dally" on? A: Homework, chores, things you know you should do, but don't really want to do!

Acts 24:24: But now governor Felix and his wife have a private audience with Paul to hear directly from him about Jesus! This is exciting!

Acts 24:25-27: However, Felix doesn't respond well. While it seems he was convicted of his sin, instead of deciding to follow Jesus he "dilly-dallys" further. In other words, he said, 'Maybe One Day I'll follow Jesus'. But instead he should have said, 'This is Day One of my life with Jesus'! (Teachers: Consider writing "One Day" and "Day One" on the whiteboard and explain the difference between them as you wrap up the lesson)

Key Point: Let's not be like Felix and dilly-dally about Jesus!

If you're not a believer in Jesus, make today "Day One" of your life belonging to Him! If you are a believer, remember from the video that we are all invited to join in the adventure of bringing the gospel to the world. Let's not dilly-dally in living for Jesus and sharing Him with those around us. Instead, let's make today "Day One" of our walking faithfully with Him!

