




VBS
DESTINATION
WITHOUT LIMITS
Where the way up is down. Matthew 10:39

“Destination without Limits”
 Vacation Bible School
 Pamphlet for the Dramas



Dramas



The dramas are a fun way to introduce the lesson for each day, as well as help the students connect the teaching to their daily lives. We recommend you use the same actors each day, and that they stay in costume all week. They can visit the stations to greet the students, and take "selfies" pictures with students randomly throughout the day.

In this year's dramas, rabbit is learning to ski, and moose is his instructor. Their goal is to go all the way up to the summit and ski from there, but first rabbit must start on the lower and easier slopes and learn to ski well. During each drama, the rabbit must learn a similar lesson that the children are learning. Since rabbit will need to tumble and fall in some of the dramas, recruit a young or athletic actor for rabbit if possible.

The dramas for the five days:

1. Bunny slope: Believe God
2. Jumps: Trust God
3. Slalom: Serve God
4. Wait: Hope in God
5. Summit: Thank God

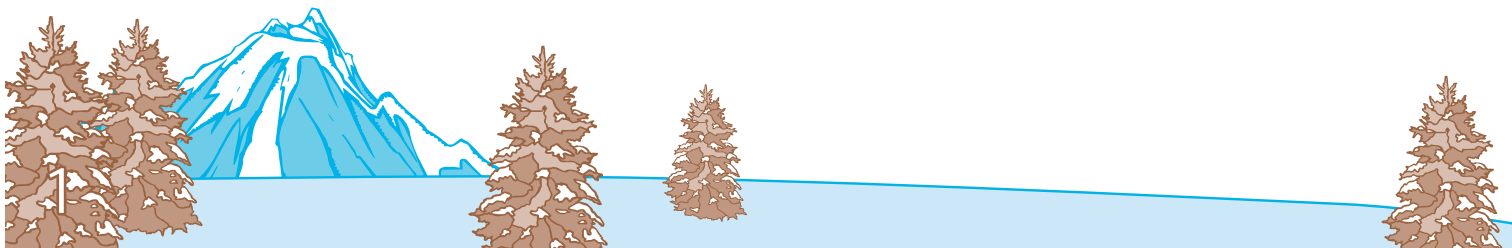


Day 1: Bunny slope

Begin with moose and rabbit carrying their skis on their way up to the "bunny slope" - the easiest slope. On the way, moose and rabbit discuss the plan for the week. Rabbit assumes they will be walking all the way up to the summit today, and then riding back down. Moose has to explain that they will start by skiing down the first slope. Rabbit is confused. If they are making their way to the summit, why must they ski downward? Can they just ski upward? Moose explains that the way up is down, and that rabbit must first learn to ski when it is easy. At first, rabbit does not even know how to put on the skis. He tries putting his helmet on one foot and one of the skis on his head. Then rabbit tries to ski backward, and while sliding backward, his skis slide sideways and he does the splits. Moose patiently teaches rabbit how to ski correctly. Rabbit thinks that skiing is not as easy as it looks, and he is worried that he will never be good enough to ride the summit. He is scared that he will fall off the skis, run into a tree, or lose control and slide all the way down the mountain! Moose reassures rabbit that with practice he can reach the summit. "Trust me and do what I say, and one day you will ride the summit." When rabbit trusts moose and listens to moose's instructions, they continue skiing and exit stage.

Day 2: Jumps

Today rabbit is learning how to make a jump. Moose and rabbit begin at the top of a harder slope. Rabbit tells moose how awesome he was at skiing yesterday. He learned to turn, go faster, and stop on skis. Rabbit thinks he is amazing at skiing, and he thinks that he can ride the summit without any more help from moose. Moose begins teaching rabbit at the top of the slope and having him practice the movements for the jump before trying any real jump. First, he needs to lean forward and bend his knees. Then, as he goes over the jump, he is to straighten his legs and put his arms out to the sides. Whenever moose gives rabbit an instruction, rabbit does the opposite - stretching tall with his arms in the air, lying on the ground, and poking moose with one of his ski poles. When rabbit finally does what moose says, whenever moose is not looking, rabbit again does the opposite. As they approach the first real jump, rabbit stays upright, tumbles backward and lands in a tangled heap in the snow. Rabbit tries another jump and tumbles and falls again. Moose patiently reminds rabbit what to do. Rabbit says, "You are right. I need to listen to you and trust that you know what you are doing." Rabbit does the correct movements on the next jump, and lands it perfectly. Rabbit says, "That felt very strange! I did not think that it would work, but it did. Wow, I have a lot to learn before trying the summit." Moose chuckles and says, "Trust me and do what I say, and one day you will ride the summit." They continue down the slope and exit stage.



Day 3: Slalom

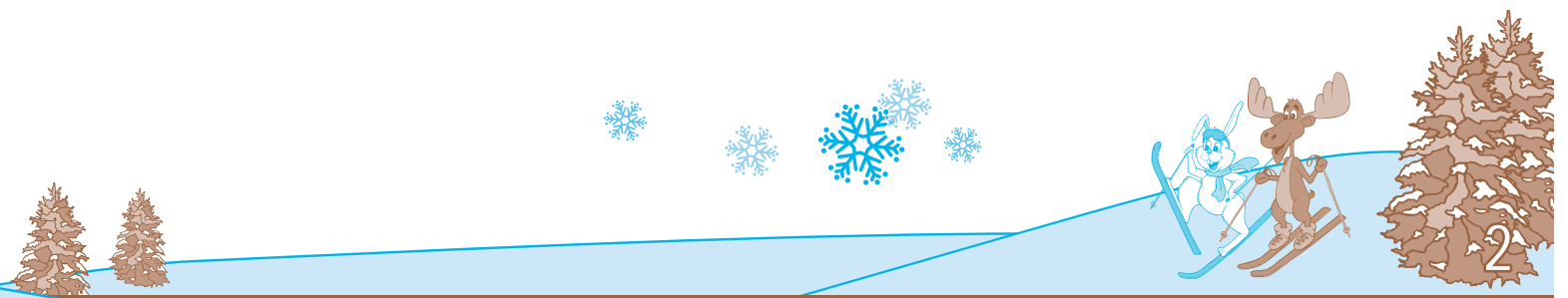
Today rabbit is learning how to slalom (slide left and right) and control his speed. They are going to ride a harder and much steeper slope. Rabbit cannot pronounce slalom right, calling it salolalumol. Rabbit does not want to slalom because he thinks it is boring, and because he already learned how on the first day. He plans to go as fast as he can so they can practice some more jumps. Moose shows him how to lean to the left, then to the right. Rabbit practices a couple times, then falls asleep and tips over. When ready, moose starts before rabbit and tells him to stay behind him. Rabbit instead goes faster and faster and passes moose. Moose shouts to rabbit and tells him that he must slow down. Rabbit does not pay attention and is soon going so fast that he cannot control his skis as they approach some trees. "Oh, no! Trees!" he shouts as he swerves right and left as fast as he can. Rabbit runs into a tree and tumbles into the snow. Moose slides sideways to stop next to rabbit and helps rabbit up. Rabbit says, "What a lovely dress you have. I think I'll go fishing for turtles," and faints, sticking out his tongue. Moose wakes him up and brushes the snow off his head. Rabbit says he should have listened to him. Moose chuckles and says, "Trust me and do what I say, and one day you will ride the summit." Moose suggests that they continue to the bottom of the slope, then go back and do it again until rabbit learns to control his speed. They exit stage.

Day 4: Waiting

Today rabbit needs to wait - his least favorite thing to do. Moose and rabbit have made their way up to a shelter near the bottom of the ski lift to the summit, and moose is cooking some food on the fire. Rabbit asks moose repeatedly if they will go up the mountain today, and moose tells rabbit to wait without telling him why. Rabbit tries to convince moose to go up the mountain. He tells moose that his legs are not sore and jumps up and down, then when moose isn't looking, rubs his legs like they are sore. He tries to get moose to take him skiing by taunting him, promising to help with the soup afterward, begging on his knees, and taking the skis to the door and trying to tempt moose. But moose keeps working on the soup and does not give in. After more tries, rabbit gives up trying to get moose to go outside, and instead begins to start going crazy. First he taps his foot and looks at his watch. He spins in circles until he is dizzy and falls over. Then he makes faces at moose when moose isn't looking. After hollering and running around in circles, rabbit says to himself that maybe moose never meant to go to the summit after all, and slumps in a corner. Moose sets the soup on the table and calls rabbit over, telling him to quit moping. Finally, after rabbit asks once more why they are not going to the summit yet, moose tells him that the weather is bad and they have to wait until it is clear on the mountain. "Ooooooh," says rabbit, "I didn't think of that." Moose chuckles and says, "Trust me and do what I say, and one day, very soon, you will ride the summit." Rabbit says, "Ok, you are right. I should have trusted you all along that you know what you are doing. I will wait until you say that it is time."

Day 5: Summit

Today moose and rabbit are going to ride the black double-diamond (hardest) slope starting from the summit of the mountain! Rabbit is so excited that he can hardly contain it or even think clearly as both moose and rabbit make their way to the starting point. Rabbit excitedly points to normal things like trees and clouds in the distance and says, "Wow! Look at that!" Moose responds with, "That's just a tree," "That's just a bird," or "Those are your feet," etc. Rabbit keeps going the wrong direction and moose has to call him to go this way to the slope. When they reach the top of the slope, they are very high and they can see all around and all the way down the mountain. Now rabbit becomes terrified and starts shaking until his knees knock together. He recognizes cliffs, trees, and tricky turns on the way down. Rabbit is not sure that he is ready, or even that he wants to ride the summit anymore. "Mommy!" he cries. Moose reminds him that he has been dreaming of this for a very long time. Rabbit says, "But it looks so hard!" Moose chuckles and says, "Trust me and do what I say, and you will ride the summit." He reminds rabbit of all the other slopes they have ridden, how each slope was harder and harder, and that they have already skied near cliffs, through forests, around tricky corners and over jumps, and that rabbit is ready for each piece of the slope ahead of them. He only needs watch carefully as they ski down the slope and do what moose trained him to do. Moose will be skiing with him all the way down and will remind him what to do whenever he needs it. "Ready?" asks moose. "I- I'm not sure.... Yikes!" says rabbit. As they start down the slope, together they shout, "Here we goooooo!"



Overview

1

Believe God

Base Camp

Joseph's dreams rebuked

(Genesis 37:2-11)

4

Hope in God

Glacier Camp

Joseph forgotten in jail

(Genesis 39:7-40:23)

2

Trust God

Frozen Creek Camp

Joseph is mistreated

(Genesis 37:12-35)

5

Thank God

Summit

Joseph's dreams fulfilled

(Genesis 41:14-40, 41:53-57, 42:1-6)

3

Serve God

Timberline Camp (Forest Edge Camp)

Joseph serves in Potiphar's house

(Genesis 37:36, 39:1-6)

