

Fishy Tales: Swimming Through Life

**A Curriculum based on the Truth principles found in the movie: "Finding Nemo"
For children ages 5 to 10.**

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Welcome

The Purpose/Vision

The purpose of this curriculum is to explore the Metaphysical teachings found in the journey of Marlin, Dory & Nemo. We are all on a Spiritual journey through life and exploring the stories of others often helps us to make sense of our own journey.

Key learning objectives

- To explore the idea that God is with us through every adventure in our life.
- To understand that even if we forget that we are a Divine Child of God, we are never far from the power of Spirit because it is within us.
- To know that the Spirit of God within us is always good no matter what appearances may tell us.
- To understand that when we live fully aware of being in the flow of Spirit we can overcome any obstacle because we understand that God is unchanging, all good and everywhere present.

What Will Be Explored & Experienced

We will be watching the movie, *Finding Nemo*, in place of a story over the course of the next five weeks. We will follow the adventures of Marlin, Dory and Nemo as they are called to face the things that are most frightening to them. We will do this through story, art, games and food.

For Marlin, the lost of his wife and most of the eggs that were to be his children creates such a fear in him that it controls his life. He makes all of decisions based on that fear and it impacts his life with his son Nemo. He no longer has the confidence or faith to move through unexpected adventures with grace and poise. It isn't until he faces his worst nightmare that he is willing to begin to feel the fear and do it anyway.

For Dory, it is the story of growing confidence in herself. She has spent her life being forgetful and just floating along in life with no specific direction. She believes that she is less than others and the universe accommodates her beliefs by bringing her experiences that reinforce that idea. When Dory teams up with Marlin to find Nemo, she moves through the belief that she is incompetent and claims the divine being that she truly is.

For Nemo, it is a letting go of the fears and doubts that his father's fears instilled in him. Somewhere within him he knows that he can do anything no matter what appearances are telling him. Nemo faces many challenges that call him to claim his power and he is willing to accept that he really is a divine child of God.

Ages

The lessons are designed for children 5 to 10 years old.

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