

WEEK 1 - October 2019 - TWO'S

**Bible Story Focus:** God is with me so I can be brave.

Daniel and the Lions • Daniel 6:1-23

Memory Verse: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid . . . for the LORD your God

goes with you." Deuteronomy 31:6, NIV **Key Question:** Who can help you be brave? **Bottom Line:** God can help me be brave.

Basic Truth: God loves me.

**Summary:** We love our superheroes. We love their strength and bravery and how they use their special powers and super weapons to save the day. Whether it's a lasso that forces truth telling or a trident that manipulates water, it's always exciting to watch! What about in real life? We all want to be strong and courageous. We all want to say we would be brave when faced with fear. But how? What can help us be brave? How can our preschoolers be strong and courageous SUPER KIDS without the capes and super powers we see in the movies? This month we plan on giving preschoolers the answers to all of these questions while having some superhero fun!

We want our preschoolers to grow up knowing that they can be brave, because God is with them. Yep! God can help them be brave! And they don't even need a cape or a mask!

# 9:00-9:10 | 10:30-10:40 | 12:00-12:10 - FREE PLAY

# 9:10-9:25 | 10:40-10:55 | 12:10-12:25 - MAKE IT FUN

#### 1. Be Animals

Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn

What You Need: No supplies needed

### What You Do:

Before the Activity: Guide the children to stand in front of you.

During the Activity: Invite the children to pretend to be several different animals: dog, cat, rabbit, and monkey. Encourage the children to then pretend to be lions.

## What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's pretend to be animals!"

During the Activity: "First, let's be a dog. (Get on all fours and bark.) You are awesome doggies! Now, let's be cats. (Get on all fours and meow.) You are such sweet kitty cats! Let's be bunny rabbits. (Hop around the activity area.) Great job! Let's be monkeys. (Arch arms and scratch your sides.) Ooohh-ooohh-ahhh-ahhh. Now let's be a really big animal. Let's be a LION!" (Get on all fours and roar loudly.)

After the Activity: "Wow! You are scary lions! Today we are going to hear a really SUPER story about lions from the Bible. Are you ready for our Bible story today?"

**Transition:** Move to Bible story time by pretending to be lions as you walk to the story area

# 9:25-9:45 | 10:55-11:15 | 12:25-12:45 - MAKE IT TRUE (snack)

What You Need: This month's worship song, "Fear Get out of Here."

**LEADER:** "Hello, everyone! It's so great to see you! It's Super Kids month, and I'm so excited! We're going to have an amazing time learning about how God can help us be brave Super Kids. When I ask you, 'Who can help you be brave?' you say, [Bottom Line] 'God can help me be brave.' Let's try it together. Who can help you be brave?"

LEADER and CHILDREN: [Bottom Line] "God can help me be brave."

**LEADER:** "That's right! *[Bottom Line]* God can help me be brave. Now it's time to learn our new song together. It's all about how we don't have to ever be scared because God is always with us and will help us be brave. Let's sing!

(Lead children in singing "Fear Get out of Here.")

"Wonderful singing. I can't wait to learn with you this month. Who can help you be brave? [Bottom Line] God can help me be brave."

# 9:45-10:05 | 11:15-11:35 | 12:45-1:05 MAKE IT STICK

## 1. Memory Verse with Motions

**Hear from God | Memory Verse Review** 

Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn

What You Need: No supplies needed

#### What You Do:

Before the Activity: Say the Memory Verse and do the following motions in front of the children. Be strong (put right forearm and wrist out in front of you, similar to Wonder Woman) and courageous! (Put left forearm and wrist out in front of you and hit wrists together.) Do not be afraid . . . (wind up in a crazy karate chop pose and chop down on the word "afraid"), for the Lord (point your right hand up) your God (point your left hand up) goes with you (put both hands on hips in a "strong" pose), Deuteronomy 31:6. (Hold out hands like a book.)

During the Activity: Say the verse again with the motions and invite the children to do it with you. Repeat several times.

### What You Say:

Before the Activity: "I am going to say our new Memory Verse today. Everyone watch me! Be strong (put right forearm and wrist out in front of you, similar to Wonder Woman) and courageous! (Put left forearm and wrist out in front of you and hit wrists together.) Do not be afraid . . . (wind up in a crazy karate chop pose and chop down on the word "afraid"), for the Lord (point your right hand up) your God (point your left hand up) goes with you (put both hands on hips in a "strong" pose), Deuteronomy 31:6." (Hold out hands like a book.)

During the Activity: "Now let's do it all together! Are you ready?" (Say the verse with motions several times with the children.)

After the Activity: "Our Memory Verse tells us that God can help us be brave. WOW! Who can help you be brave? [Bottom Line] God can help me be brave!"

#### 2. Lions' Den

# Talk About God | Bible Story Review

Made to Explore: An activity that channels a preschooler's innate curiosity into a discussion of the week's crucial concepts

**What You Need:** Paper cups (one per child), yellow pom-poms (three per child), and Little People<sup>®</sup> figures (one per child)

#### What You Do:

Before the Activity: Give each child a cup.

During the Activity: Retell the Bible story and place three pom-poms in the cup to represent the lions. Move the pom-poms around the cup and ask the children to roar. Then add the Little People figure as Daniel.

After the Activity: Collect the cups, Daniel, and pom-poms. Do not send home.

### What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We heard a SUPER cool Bible story today."

During the Activity: "Daniel trusted God and knew He would be with him. Knowing that God was with him made him brave. There was a lions' den. (Give each child a cup.) This will be our lions' den. Inside the lions' den there were mean and hungry lions. (Place three pom-poms inside each cup.) Move the lions around and ROAR! (Do activity.) Wow! These lions are loud. Daniel was placed inside the lions' den (place a Little People figure in each cup) with the hungry lions. Daniel was not scared. God was with him and he was brave. Something amazing happened! The lions were calm and did not hurt Daniel. God protected Daniel!"

After the Activity: "Daniel was brave because God was with him. You can be brave because God is with you, too! Who can help you be brave? [Bottom Line] God can help me be brave!"

#### 3. Tunnel Den

### Live for God | Application Activity

Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn

What You Need: No supplies needed

#### What You Do:

Before the Activity: Make a human tunnel (stand with your arms straight and hands touching a friends) in the middle of the activity area.

During the Activity: Tell the children that the tunnel is a pretend lions' den. Invite the children to crawl through the tunnel. Be sure each child gets a turn.

## What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Yay! A tunnel!

During the Activity: "Let's pretend that our tunnel is a lions' den. Let's crawl through the tunnel den!" (Do activity.)

After the Activity: "God is with us and can make us brave! You were brave to crawl through the tunnel den. You ae SUPER KIDS! Who can help you be brave? [Bottom Line] God can help me be brave!"

#### 4. Lion's Mane

## **Live for God | Application Activity**

Made to Create: An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, Bottom Line, or memory verse by creating a craft

What You Need: "Mane" Activity Page; cardstock; orange inkpad; and wet wipes

#### What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the Activity Page onto cardstock (one per child).

During the Activity: Stamp each child's hand. Press the child's hand around the lion's head on the page to represent the mane. Repeat several times until handprints area all around the lion's face. Wipe little hands with the wet wipes.

## What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We heard a wonderful Bible story about how Daniel was in a lions' den with lions. God was with him, and Daniel was brave."

During the Activity: "We are going to make a picture of a lion so that you can use it to tell your families all about how God can help us be brave. We are going to use our hands to make our lions." (Do activity.)

After the Activity: "Your lions look fantastic! Daniel knew God was with him and was brave. Who can help you be brave? [Bottom Line] God can help me be brave!"