



WEEK 2 - November 2019 - PRESCHOOL

Bible Story Focus: I can thank God for my friends.

David and Jonathan • *1 Samuel 18:1-4*

Memory Verse: "I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart." Psalm 111:1, ESV

Key Question: Who can you thank for everything?

Bottom Line: I can thank God for everything.

Basic Truth: God made me.

Summary: Can you say thank you?" How many times will a child be asked that question in their preschool years? We ask them again and again because we want to help them learn to be thankful. This month is all about saying thank you. In fact, we are going to be bubbling over with thankfulness in the Bubble Factory, our theme for this month.

Throughout the month, preschoolers will learn to be thankful for their family, friends, and food. And, they'll learn that saying, "Thank you" is just as important as being thankful.

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

SFX: High-energy music from Spotify playlist "PreK Walk-in"

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

SFX: Play low-energy music from Spotify playlist "PreK Small Groups"

9:25-9:45 | 10:55-11:15 | 12:25-12:45 - MAKE IT TRUE

LARGE GROUP SCRIPT:

Bible Story

What You Need: A Bible, a plastic crown, an apple, a robe, a toy sword, a package of Goldfish® crackers, a toy, and a piece of construction paper

Optional Story Images can be found in the Large Group Images folder. (02_LG35_Stage_Images) They can be used in conjunction with this script.

STORYTELLER: *(Enter carrying a Bible.)* "Hey, friends! Great to see you all today. I have an awesome true story to share with you about two good friends named David and Jonathan. Jonathan was the son of the king. *(Hold up the crown).*

(Option: Story Image W2 01)

"David and Jonathan were such good friends that they did everything together. They ate together. *(Hold up the apple.)*

(Option: Story Image W2 02)

They walked together.

(Option: Story Image W2 03)

Jonathan was so thankful for his friend, David, that he even gave him his own coat and sword and bow and belt! *(Hold up robe and sword.)*

(Option: Story Image W2 04)

"What a good friend. David was so thankful that God gave him Jonathan. They loved each other the way we want our friends to love us! I have a question for you. Everyone show me your best question face. *(Pause.)*

“Hmm, what could we do to show our friends we’re thankful for them? Let’s come up with some ideas. Okay how can we show our friends we’re thankful for them? We should share things—like snacks.

(Hold up the bag of Goldfish crackers.)

“We could share our toys.

(Hold up the small toy.)

“And we could share rides on our scooters. These are great ideas! Okay, so we can share things with our friends. What else could we do? Oh, I’ve got one. We could use our mouths! Everyone point to your mouth. *(Pause.)* We could use our mouths to say kind words! Look at your friend and say, ‘I like your shirt!’”

CHILDREN: “I like your shirt.”

STORYTELLER: “Great! Now turn to another friend and say, ‘You are so nice!’”

CHILDREN: “You are so nice.”

STORYTELLER: “Great job! So we can use our mouths to say nice things, we can share, what else can we do to show our friends we’re thankful for them? We could draw birthday cards.

(Hold up the construction paper.)

“Or we could help pick up toys or give a hug or high five. Turn to the friend next to you and give a high five. *(Pause.)* You got it! There are lots of ways we can show our friends we’re thankful for them. Friends are the best! David and Jonathan were good friends. We have good friends, too. And we can thank God for our friends. **[Bottom Line] I can thank God for everything. Who can you thank for everything?**”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: **[Bottom Line] “I can thank God for everything.”**

STORYTELLER: “Let’s pray and thank God for our friends.”

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: “God, thank You for ALL the good things You’ve given us. Thank You for our friends! Friends make everything better. Help us to be good friends to others. Thank You for everything. We love You, God. Amen.”

(Host enters. Storyteller exits.)

CG: Bible Story Wrap-Up Video

Worship: Inviting People to Respond to God

Engage kids' hearts through dynamic and interactive worship in a Large Group setting.

WORSHIP LEADER: WORSHIP LEADER: "Hello, everyone. I'm so glad to see you today. Tell me: **Who can you thank for everything?"**

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: *[Bottom Line]* "I can thank God for everything."

WORSHIP LEADER: "That's right. *[Bottom Line]* I can thank God for everything. God made you, and God made me. Let's tell God thank you by singing this month's song together.

(Lead children in singing "Just Wanna Thank You," this month's worship song.)

"That was SUPER fun! Saying thank you is super important. **Who can you thank for everything?"**

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: *[Bottom Line]* "I can thank God for everything."

WORSHIP LEADER: "Absolutely. *[Bottom Line]* I can thank God for everything. The Bible says: *I will give thanks (thumbs to chest) to the LORD (both hands point up) with my whole heart (both hands over heart), Psalm 111:1. (Open hands like a book.)* Let's say it together."

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: "*I will give thanks (thumbs to chest) to the LORD (both hands point up) with my whole heart (both hands over heart), Psalm 111:1.*" *(Open hands like a book.)*

WORSHIP LEADER: "Wow! You are really learning our verse. God made everything, and we need to say thank you. Let's sing a song about how God made everything and how He said it was all good!

(Lead children in singing "All Good.")

"God made plants and animals, land and sea, sky and water, and people—me and you! We can thank Him for making all those things. *[Bottom Line]* I can thank God for everything. **Who can you thank for everything?"**

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: *[Bottom Line]* "I can thank God for everything."

Dismiss children to small groups.

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

SFX: Play low-energy music from Spotify playlist "PreK Small Groups"