



WEEK 3 - November 2019 - PRESCHOOL

Bible Story Focus: I can thank God for food.

Manna • *Exodus 16*

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 bowl, and a pillow

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: "Today's true story from the Bible starts in a desert. Have you ever been to a desert? Well, let me tell you, a desert is hot! Show me what you look like when you get really hot. *(Pause.)* That looks about right. Deserts are super hot and sandy and you get really sweaty. In our true story, the Israelites found themselves in the desert. And they weren't exactly happy. In fact, they were super hot and super sweaty. Not only that, but the Israelites were also hungry!

(Option: Story Image W3 01)

"Everyone, show me what you look like when you're super hungry!

"So hungry! God saw that His people were hungry, and so He told the people that He would rain down bread for them from heaven and when they woke up, they could eat it.

(Lay the pillow on the floor, and sit down next to it.)

"So that night while everyone was sleeping *(lie down on the pillow)* God made it rain bread!

(Option: Story Image W3 02)

"Have you ever heard of something so cool? God made bread come down from the sky!

(Sit up and grab the bowl.)

“When the people woke up, they were so excited. (*Hold up the bowl.*)

(*Option: Story Image W3 03*)

‘God gave us food today. Thank You, God!’ They were so thankful. But everyone say, “Uh-ohhh!”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: “Uh-ohhh!”

STORYTELLER: “Soon the people didn’t look thankful at all. You know what they were? They were worried. What if they didn’t have any food tomorrow? What if they woke up and there was NO food?

(*Set the bowl down and lay on the pillow.*)

“The people went to bed worried. (*Pretend to sleep. You can even snore a bit.*) But when they woke up . . . (*sit up and grab the bowl*), there was bread on the ground again! (*Hold up the bowl.*) ‘Yay, God gave us food today! Thank You, God! Surely they’ll stay thankful now, right? But, well, you guessed it. Everyone say, ‘Uh-ohhh!’”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: “Uh-ohhh!”

STORYTELLER: “Not again! They worried until they went to bed.

(*Lie down on the pillow. Pretend to sleep for a few seconds.*)

“But when they woke up in the morning, there was more bread on the ground.

(*Pick up the bowl.*)

“Day after day this happened, over and over again, until finally the Israelites stopped worrying. And they knew they could trust God to give them what they needed each day. And they were thankful.

(*Stand back up.*)

“But what about us? Will God give US what we need each day? (*Pause.*) Yes! And all we have to be is thankful. Thankful when it’s pizza day or rice day or Brussels sprouts day or Taco Tuesday because God gives us what we need. Tell me: **Who can you thank for everything?**”

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

STORYTELLER: “One more time: **Who can you thank for everything?**”

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

STORYTELLER: “Yes! God gave the Israelites what they needed for each day, and He does the same for you. Let’s pray!”

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: “Heavenly Father, thank You for the way You took care of the Israelites by providing them bread from heaven each night. We know that You will take care of our needs, too. Help us to remember to thank You each day for everything You’ve given us. We love You. In Jesus’ name, 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: “Hi, friends! Welcome! This month is all about being thankful. **Who can you thank for everything?**”

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

WORSHIP LEADER: “God made everything, including you and me. I’m so glad God made you. Let’s clap our hands and jump and dance and shout and sing together to say, ‘Thank You, God, for everything!’

(Lead children in singing “Just Wanna Say Thank You,” this month’s worship song.)

“Great job, friends! I’m so thankful for everything God has done. **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.** Our memory verse reminds us to say thank you, too! Let’s practice our memory verse. *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.) Do that with me.*”

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: “Good job, friends! When we remember that God made everything, we don’t have to be afraid of anything. Let’s sing ‘Fear Get Out of Here’ together.

(Lead children in singing “Fear Get Out of Here.”)

“Way to go, friends. Great singing. Now, tell me one more time: **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”