

WEEK 1- November 2019 - TWO'S

Bible Story Focus: I can thank God for my family.
Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz • *Ruth 1–2*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

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

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

What You Need: Play food and brown lunch sacks

(Note: If you do not have play food for this activity, you may use the "Shop" Activity Page. You will need cardstock and scissors. Copy the Activity Page onto the cardstock and cut on the dotted lines. If you choose this option, save the cutouts from the Activity Page for further use this month.)

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place the food all around the activity area.

During the Activity: Give each child a lunch sack, and encourage children to go around the activity area and "shop" for the food.

After the Activity: Ask the children to place the food they shop for in their bags.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's go shopping!"

During the Activity: (Give each child a bag.) "There is food all around the room *(point)* for you to shop for. Place the food you choose in your bag." *(Do activity.)*

After the Activity: "Great job! You shopped for some really yummy food. Today in our Bible story, we are going to hear a Bible story about a woman who did not shop for food but found some food in a field. Let's get ready to hear a TRUE story form the Bible."

Transition: Move to Bible story time by pretending to eat a piece of fruit 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, "Just Wanna Thank You."

LEADER: "Hello, friends! Let me ask you a question: When someone does something kind for you, what should you say?"

CHILDREN: "Thank you!"

LEADER: "Yes! We should always say thank you. This month is all about giving thanks to God, who has given us everything! When I ask, **'Who can you thank for**

everything?' you say, **[Bottom Line]** 'I can thank God for everything.' Let's do it. Who can you thank for everything?"

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

LEADER: "Yes, we can thank God for everything! And one way we can say thank you to God is by singing songs to Him. Let's sing our new song for this month, 'Just Wanna Thank You.'

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

"So great! I can't wait to sing that all month long with you! There are SO many things that God has made, including you and me! **Who can you thank for everything?** *[Bottom Line]* I can thank God for everything.

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. *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.)

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! 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.)

During the Activity: "Now let's do it all together! Are you ready? (Pause.) 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.)

After the Activity: "Our Memory Verse tells us that we should thank God for everything. **Who can you thank for everything?** *[Bottom Line]* I can thank God for everything!"

2. Thank You Pop 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: Bubble solution and a bubble wand

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Have the children stand in front of you.

During the Activity: Blow the bubbles toward the children. Encourage the children to pop all of the bubbles and say thank you. Repeat several times.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "I am so excited to play with bubbles!"

During the Activity: "When I blow the bubbles, you may pop them. When you pop the bubbles, say thank you. We are saying thank you to God for everything. Are you ready? *(Pause and do activity.)* Great job!"

After the Activity: "Thank You, God, for EVERYTHING! **Who can you thank for** everything? [*Bottom Line*] I can thank God for everything!"

3. Family Picture

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: "Family" Activity Page, cardstock, and blue dot markers

What You Do:

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

During the Activity: Give each child an Activity Page and a dot marker. Help them place dots or bubbles around the frame on the page.

After the Activity: Send the Activity Pages home with the children.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "God gives us family!"

During the Activity: (Give each child an Activity Page.) "We are going to make a craft that you can take home and put your family's picture on it. First, we are going to put bubbles on it." (*Do activity.*)

After the Activity: "Great job! You can put a picture of your family on your project and thank God for your family. We can thank God for everything. **Who can you thank for everything?** *[Bottom Line]* I can thank God for everything!"