



WEEK 2- November 2019 - TWO'S

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

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

1. Thinking Of:

What You Need: No supplies needed

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Have the children sit in the floor in front of you.

During the Activity: Say “I am thinking of someone who is wearing _____.” Describe a child’s clothing and encourage the children to try to guess who you are describing. Continue the activity by describing each child.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Let’s play a game!”

During the Activity: “I am going to think of someone and tell you what they are wearing. Look around at your friends and see if you can guess who I am talking about. Are you ready?” (*Do activity.*)

After the Activity: “You are so good at this game! It is so much fun to play games with your friends! Today we are going to hear a Bible story about good friends! I am so excited!”

Transition: Move to Bible story time by chanting “Thank you for my friends!” 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, everyone. I’m so glad to see you today. Tell me: **Who can you thank for everything? [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? [Bottom Line] I can thank God for everything.** Yes, you can!”

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

1. Bubble Verse

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: 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 the memory verse together. 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, we can say the verse together. Are you ready? *(Pause and do activity.)* Great job!"

After the Activity: "We can be thankful to God for everything. **Who can you thank for everything? [Bottom Line] I can thank God for everything!**"

2. Partner Act

Talk About God | Bible Story Review

Made to Imagine: An activity that lets preschoolers pretend, imagine, and role play to enhance their learning

What You Need: No supplies needed

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Divide the children into pairs.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to act out motions from the Bible story with their friend. Movements are: walking around holding hands, pretending to eat together, and sharing something with each other.

After the Activity: Retell the Bible story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We heard an awesome Bible story today!"

During the Activity: "Everyone pick a friend. We are going to act like David and Jonathan in our Bible story today. First, let's walk together. *(Do activity.)* Nice job! Now let's pretend to eat together like friends do. *(Do activity.)* Friends share with each other. Pretend to share something with your friend. *(Do activity.)* You are such great friends, just like David and Jonathan."

After the Activity: “Jonathan was the son of the king and David was his good friend. Jonathan loved that David was his friend and would do anything for him. God gives us good friends, and we can tell God thank You for our friends! **Who can you thank for everything? [Bottom Line] I can thank God for everything!**”

3. Friendship Bracelets

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: “Bracelets” Activity Page, cardstock, scissors, crayons, clear tape, and small stickers

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the Activity Page onto the cardstock and cut on the dotted lines. Provide two bracelets per child.

During the Activity: Give each child the two bracelets. Allow the children to decorate their bracelets with the crayons and stickers. Help the children put on one of the bracelets by wrapping it around their wrist and securing it with the tape. Then encourage them to share their other bracelet with someone else in the class. Make sure everyone ends up with two bracelets even if they end up with two of their own.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “God gives us friends! We can be thankful to God for our friends.”

During the Activity: “We are going to make friendship bracelets to remind us to give thanks to God. *(Give each child two bracelets.)* Use the crayons and stickers to decorate your bracelets. Now we are going to put one of your bracelets on your wrist. Then we can give the extra bracelet to a friend. Great job! Sharing with friends is so much fun.”

After the Activity: “God gives us friends, and we can thank God for them! We can thank God for everything. **Who can you thank for everything? [Bottom Line] I can thank God for everything!**”