



WEEK 2 - December 2019 - TWO'S

Bible Story Focus: Jesus is born.

Jesus Is Born • *Luke 2:1-7*

Memory Verse: "God has given a son to us." Isaiah 9:6, NCV

Key Question: How do we know God loves us?

Bottom Line: God gave us Jesus.

Basic Truth: God loves me.

Summary: The very first Christmas was a string of God planned events that came together to create a wonder-filled story that would be told again and again and again. God sent His Son to earth in the form of a human baby who grew to be someone like no other. Ultimately, He gave His life for us.

This month, we celebrate the beautiful gift of Jesus. We want preschoolers to say again and again that, 'God gave us Jesus.' We want it to live deep within their hearts so they grow to trust that God loves them with a love so great that He gave them His one and only Son, Jesus, to be their friend forever.

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. Baby Care

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

What You Need: Several baby dolls, baby blankets, baby clothes, and baby bottles

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place all of the supplies in the activity area.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to take care of the babies. Be sure each child gets to take care of the babies.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We have babies to take care of. Today we are going to talk about a very special baby!"

During the Activity: "Let's work together to take care of our sweet babies."

After the Activity: "Today we are going to hear a Bible story about how God gave us Jesus! I can't wait!"

Transition: Move to Bible story time by pretending to cradle a baby 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, "What Christmas Is About."

LEADER: "Hello, everyone. I'm so glad to see you today because it's Christmastime! At Christmas, we celebrate when God gave us Jesus. **How do we know God loves us? [Bottom Line] God gave us Jesus.** Let's tell God how thankful we are for this amazing gift by singing to Him.

(Lead children in singing "What Christmas is About," this month's worship song.)

"That was SO fun! I love singing about Christmas with you. **How do we know God loves us? [Bottom Line] God gave us Jesus.**"

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

1. Rock the 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: A baby doll for each child

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Give each child a baby doll.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to rock their baby doll in their arms as they say the memory verse. Repeat several times.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “God gave us Jesus! We heard a wonderful Bible story about when baby Jesus was born.”

During the Activity: “Let’s rock the baby while we say our memory verse about how God gave us Jesus.” (*Do activity.*)

After the Activity: “Great job! God loves us so much that He gave us Jesus. **How do we know God loves us? [Bottom Line] God gave us Jesus!**”

2. Parachute Celebrate

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: Party streamers, colorful pom-poms, and a parachute or large sheet

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Lay the parachute flat on the floor. Place the pom-poms and streamers on top of the parachute.

During the Activity: Ask the children to stand around the parachute with you, and invite them to each pick up a section of the parachute. Invite the children to shake their arms so that the parachute moves very fast. Encourage the children to try to bounce the pom-poms and streamers high. Repeat several times.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “God loves us so much that He gave us Jesus.”

During the Activity: “Let’s play with the parachute! We are going to put party streamers and pom-poms on the parachute to bounce high. We are celebrating that God loves us so much that He gave us Jesus!” (*Do activity.*)

After the Activity: “Awesome job celebrating! God loves us so much that He gave us Jesus. **How do we know God loves us? [Bottom Line] God gave us Jesus!**”

3. Gift Craft

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: “Gift Craft” Activity Page, cardstock, small gift bows (one per child), and crayons

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 the crayons. Encourage the children to color baby Jesus on the page.

After the Activity: After the page is colored, fold the page in half on the line. Give each child a bow to place on the outside of the folded page to resemble a gift.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Jesus is the best gift that we could ever get! **[Bottom Line] God gave us Jesus!**”

During the Activity: “We are going to make a gift that shows that God gave us Jesus! (Give each child an Activity Page and the crayons.) First, we need to color baby Jesus (point and do activity.) Great job! (Fold the page.) Now, we can place a bow on our gift! (Finish activity.)”

After the Activity: “When you open the gift (demonstrate), you see the greatest gift that God has given us! **[Bottom Line] God gave us Jesus! How do we know God loves us? [Bottom Line] God gave us Jesus!**”