

WEEK 2 - January 2020 - TWO'S

Bible Story Focus: Jesus can do things we can't.

Catching Fish • Luke 5:1-7

Memory Verse: "With God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26, NIV

Key Question: Who can do anything? **Bottom Line:** Jesus can do anything.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Make it Fun

Activities to help kids transition into the classroom and set up the bible story.

-Boat

Make it True

Captivate kids with a bible story and help them understand how it connects to their world.

-Large group time

Make it Stick

Activities and crafts that help kids personalize the story and apply the truths to their life.

- -Bubbles
- -catch and retell
- -Fishnet

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

1. Boat

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

What You Need: A boat for the children to play in (Use floor tape to create one on the floor)

(Note: You will use the boat again for Bible Story Review. If it is tape on the floor, please just save it or if it is a box or raft, just simply set it aside until needed.)

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place the boat in the middle of the activity area.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to play together in the boat. Be sure each child gets a turn to play in the boat.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "WOW! A boat!"

During the Activity: "Let's play in the boat with our friends!" (Do activity.)

After the Activity: "That was so much fun! We are going to talk about a boat in our Bible story today!"

Transition: Move to Bible story time by pretending to drive a boat 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, "Wow Oh Wow."

LEADER: "Hello, friends. It's great to see you today because we're learning that *[Bottom Line]* Jesus can do anything! Who can do anything? *[Bottom Line]* Jesus can do anything. There's NO one like Him. Come on, sing with me.

(Lead children in singing "Wow Oh Wow," this month's worship song.)

"That was SO fun! I love singing with you. Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything."

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

1. Bubbles

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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 pretend to swim through the bubbles and say the Memory Verse. 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, pretend to swim through them. We can pretend to be fish. As you swim, let's say our Memory Verse. Are you ready?" (Pause and do activity.) Great job!"

After the Activity: "You are such awesome swimmers—just like fish! Jesus helped the fishermen catch A LOT of fish today in our Bible story. Our Memory Verse tells us that [Bottom Line] Jesus can do ANYTHING! Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!"

2. Catch and Retell

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: The boat that you used in the "Boat" activity, a laundry basket, and fish

(NOTE: You may use plastic fish, rolled up socks, sponges, or the "Fish" Activity Page. If you use the Activity Page, copy on cardstock and cut on the dotted lines. You will need 15-20 fish for this activity. You will also be using the basket and the fish for the Movement Activity "Catch" today. Be sure to save the items.)

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Have the children get into the boat.

During the Activity: Begin to retell the Bible story and ask the children to use the basket as a net, dip it into the water, and bring it up empty. Continue with the story and ask the children to dip the net into the water again. This time, place the fish into the net.

After the Activity: Finish retelling the story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "In our Bible story today, Jesus did something so AMAZING!"

During the Activity: "The fishermen needed to catch fish, but they were not catching anything! (Dip the net into the water and bring it up empty.) They were so sad! Jesus helped the fishermen catch A TON of fish in their nets. Let's try to catch fish in our net again." (Dip the net again and add fish.)

After the Activity: "Great job! You caught a lot of fish, just like the fishermen did with Jesus' help. Jesus helped the fishermen fill their nets with fish. Jesus can do things that we can't. Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!"

3. Fish Net

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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: "Fish" and "Net Label" Activity Pages, cardstock, Avery® #5160 labels or equivalent, scissors, white lunch sacks (one per child), crayons or dot markers, and a black marker

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the "Fish" Activity Page onto the cardstock and cut on the dotted lines. Each child will need five fish cutouts. Copy the "Net Label" Activity Page onto the label paper and set aside.

During the Activity: Give each child a lunch sack and help them draw lines to resemble a net on the front of it. Give each child five fish and allow them to color them with the crayons or dot markers. Encourage the children to place the fish inside the bag (net).

After the Activity: Place the label on the front of the net.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Jesus did something that we cannot do in our story today."

During the Activity: "He helped the fishermen fill their nets full of fish! WOW! We are going to make a net full of fish so that you can tell all of the friends and family all about how [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!" (Do activity.)

After the Activity: "Jesus can do ANYTHING—even things we can't do! Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!"