



WEEK 4 - January 2020 - TWO'S

Bible Story Focus: Jesus can do what is impossible.

Walking on Water • *Matthew 14:22-33*

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.

-Bubble Walk

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.

-Little People Retell
-Four Corners
-Water Craft

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

1. Paper walk

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

What You Need: Long piece of butcher paper

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Lay the paper down in the activity area.

During the Activity: Ask the children to line up. Allow the children to take turns walking on the paper. Repeat several times.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We are going to walk on something cool today!"

During the Activity: "Everyone line up and start walking. (*Do activity.*) How does that feel to walk on something that is not the floor? (*Pause.*) This so cool!"

After the Activity: "Today we are going to talk about how Jesus walked on something really cool! I cannot wait until we hear about it in our Bible story today!"

Transition: Move to Bible story time by walking on tippy toes 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: "Friends! It's been a great month learning about all the amazing things that Jesus can do. Is there anything He can't do? NO way! **[Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything.** Let's sing out and tell Jesus how much we love Him!

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

"That was awesome. We can clap our hands and sing and dance because **[Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!**"

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

1. Little People® Retell

Made to Play: An activity that encourages preschoolers to follow guidelines while having fun and learning new concepts

What You Need: little male figurine (to represent Jesus), toy boat, bowl with water.

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Fill the bowl with some water.

During the Activity: Retell the Bible story using the bowl. Rock the bowl as if it's in a storm and use a Little People figure as Jesus to walk on water. Allow each child a turn to walk Jesus across the water.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Look at our bowl of water! It looks like the ocean.

During the Activity: "This boat looks like the one that was in our Bible story today. *(Point.)* Let's act out the story. Let's rock the boat like it is in a storm. *(Rock the boat.)* Uh-oh! I see a storm coming. The water is getting really rough! *(Rock the boat harder.)* I see Jesus! *(Move Little People figure across water.)* WOW! Jesus can do what is IMPOSSIBLE! He is walking on the water! Great job! Now you can pretend to walk Jesus on the water." *(Finish activity.)*

After the Activity: "Jesus can do the impossible! He can do anything! **Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!**"

2. Four Corners

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: "Four Corners" Activity Pages, cardstock, and wall tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the Activity Pages on to the cardstock. You will have four separate pages. Hang one page in each corner of the activity area at preschool level.

During the Activity: Have the children stand in the middle of the activity area and say "Run to the giraffe!" When they get to the corner with the giraffe, ask then children if the giraffe can walk on water. Then say ONLY Jesus can walk on water. Repeat the activity by having the children visit each corner. Repeat the phrase each time they get to a corner. The corner pictures are a giraffe, a tiger, a cow, and a lion.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We have pictures around our room. There is a picture of a giraffe (*point*), a tiger (*point*), a cow (*point*), and a lion (*point*)."

During the Activity: "Everyone, stand in the middle. (*Point.*) Listen very carefully to what I say and go to the picture that I call out. Are you ready? (*Pause.*) Giraffe! Everyone, go to the corner that has the picture of a giraffe. (*Pause.*) Great job! Can a giraffe walk on water? (*Pause.*) NO! Only Jesus can walk on water! Let's do it again!" (*Continue activity.*)

After the Activity: "That was so much fun! Only Jesus can do the impossible! **[Bottom Line] Jesus can do ANYTHING! Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!**"

3. Water 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: "Water Craft" and "Water Jesus" Activity Pages, cardstock, scissors, craft sticks, clear tape, and glue sticks

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the "Water Craft" and "Water Jesus" Activity Pages onto the cardstock. Cut the "Water Jesus" Activity Page on the dotted lines. Each child will need one cutout. Use the scissors to cut a slit in the Activity Page on the solid line.

During the Activity: Give each child a Jesus cutout and a craft stick. Help the child tape the cutout to the top of the craft stick. Give the children the Activity Page. Help the children place the bottom of the craft stick into the slit on the Activity Page. Encourage the children to move the stick along the slit so that Jesus is walking on the water on the Activity Page.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “We are going to make a picture of Jesus walking on water. We can take it home and tell our families all about our Bible story!”

During the Activity: (Help the child tape the cutout to the stick and give each child an Activity Page.) “Find the slit in the water on your page. (Pause.) Perfect. Place the stick in the slit and move it across the water. Jesus is walking on water!”

After the Activity: “You can use your picture to tell your family all about our Bible story. Jesus can do the impossible! He can do ANYTHING! **Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!**”