



WEEK 3 - February 2020 - TWO'S

Bible Story Focus: Jesus is our friend even when no one else is.

The Unloved Woman • *John 8:2-11*

Memory Verse: "Love each other as I have loved you." John 15:12, NIV

Key Question: Who does Jesus love?

Bottom Line: Jesus loves everyone.

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

-friend train

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.

-which face?
-Jesus loves everyone.
-Jesus is my friend

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

1. Friend Train

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

What You Need: Several plush friends and a laundry basket

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place the stuffed friends in a pile in the activity area. Place the basket nearby.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to put the friends into the basket. Allow the children to push the basket around the activity area like a train while making train sounds. Repeat as desired.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's take our friends (*point*) for a train ride."

During the Activity: "Work with your friends to put all of the stuffed friends in the train. (*Point to basket.*) We can push the train with our friends all around our room. All aboard!"

After the Activity: "Great job! You were a really good friend! Today we are going to hear a story about someone who wants to be everyone's friend."

Transition: Move to Bible story time by chanting this month's Basic Truth, "Jesus wants to be my friend forever," as you walk to the 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, "I've Got a Friend."

LEADER: "Welcome, friends! It's time worship and sing together and tell Jesus we love Him because [**Bottom Line**] **Jesus loves everyone! Who does Jesus love? [**Bottom Line**] Jesus loves everyone.** He is the BEST friend ever.

(Lead children in singing "I've Got a Friend," this month's worship song.)

"Yes, Jesus loves me and you! [**Bottom Line**] **Jesus loves everyone!**"

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

1. Which Face?

Talk About God | Bible Story Review

Made to Explore: An activity that channels a preschooler's innate curiosity into a discussion of the week's crucial concepts

What You Need: "Faces" Activity Page, cardstock, scissors, clear tape, and two craft sticks

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the Activity Page onto the cardstock and cut on the dotted lines. You will have a happy and a sad face. Tape a craft stick to each face to create handles.

During the Activity: Retell the Bible story using the faces. When you talk about the unloved woman, hold up the sad face. When you talk about Jesus being the woman's friend, hold up the happy face. Ask the children to act along with the story by making sad and happy faces as you hold them up.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We heard a wonderful Bible story today. I am going to tell you our Bible story and show you a sad and happy face. When you see a happy face (*hold up*), I want you to smile and make a happy face. When you see a sad face (*hold up*), make a sad face."

During the Activity: "Jesus was teaching and some men brought a woman to Him that they did not like. They told Jesus that she made bad choices and they wanted Jesus to punish her. (*Hold up sad face.*) The woman was sad that no one was her friend. Jesus loved her anyway! He wanted to be her friend even if no one else was. This made the woman very happy." (*Hold up happy face.*)

After the Activity: "The woman had no friends (*hold up sad face*), but Jesus wanted to be her friend (*hold up happy face*). **[Bottom Line] Jesus loves everyone** and wants to be everyone's friend. **Who does Jesus love? [Bottom Line] Jesus loves everyone!**"

2. Jesus Loves Everyone

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: Construction paper, scissors, and floor tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Cut a large heart out of the construction paper and tape it in the middle of the activity area. Use the floor tape to make a large circle around the heart.

During the Activity: Have the children stand in the circle. Choose one child to stand on the heart. Say, “Jesus loves [child’s name]. **Who does Jesus love? [Bottom Line] Jesus loves everyone!**” Repeat for each child.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Everyone step inside the circle.” (*Demonstrate.*)

During the Activity: (*Choose a child to go first.*) “[Child’s name] please stand on the circle. (*Point.*) Jesus loves [child’s name.] **Who does Jesus love? [Bottom Line] Jesus loves everyone!** Now it is [another child’s name]’s turn!”

After the Activity: **[Bottom Line] “Jesus loves everyone. He wants to be everyone’s friend. Who does Jesus love? [Bottom Line] Jesus loves everyone!”**

3. Jesus Is Our Friend

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: “Jesus Friend” Activity Page, cardstock, crayons, and happy face stamp

What You Do:

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

During the Activity: Allow the children to color the picture on the page.

After the Activity: Help the children place stamps all over the page.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Jesus loves us SO much. That makes us so happy!”

During the Activity: “We are going to make a picture of Jesus that says that He loves everyone. Can you color the picture?”

After the Activity: “Now let’s put happy faces on our page to show that we are so happy that **[Bottom Line] Jesus loves everyone. Who does Jesus love? [Bottom Line] Jesus loves everyone!**”

