



WEEK 2 - August 2020 - PRESCHOOL

Bible Story Focus: I am important to God.

You Are Important to God • *Luke 12:7*

Memory Verse: "I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Psalm 139:14, NIV

Key Question: Who made you?

Bottom Line: God made me.

Basic Truth: God made me.

Make it True

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

-Large group time

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE

CG: Bible Story intro Video

LARGE GROUP SCRIPT:

Bible Story

What You Need: Bible; small table; a large cardboard box; a large plush dog; plush bear; plush bunny; and plush llama; Optional: Story Images

Note: The plush dog, bear, bunny, and llama need to fit inside of the cardboard box without being seen by the audience.

The small table is already in the center of the storytelling area. The Storyteller enters carrying a Bible and the cardboard box with the animals inside. The Storyteller places the box on the floor beside the table.

STORYTELLER: “Hi, everyone! My name is [your name], and [Host’s name] is right. I’m here to tell you a true story from the Bible . . .

Hold up the Bible and lay it down on the table.

. . . about someone who loves you A LOT! But first, I have a game I want to play with you.

“Do you see this big box? *(Pause.)* There’s something inside this box—four somethings in fact. And I want you to guess what each thing is. Sound good? *(Pause.)* Okay! I will slowly pull the first thing out, and I want you to try to guess what it is before I pull it all the way out of the box.

Slowly pull the plush dog out of the box, revealing a little of the dog at a time, until the audience guesses what it is.

“It looks hairy. It’s [color of dog]. It’s very friendly and likes to play fetch.

Keep pulling the dog out until the audience yells, “Dog.” Hold the dog up.

“Yes! It’s a sweet, hairy dog.

Set the dog on the floor where the audience can see it.

“That was fun! Let’s play again. What will it be this time?

Slowly pull the plush bear out of the box, revealing a little of the bear at a time, until the audience guesses what it is.

“This one is hairy, too. It’s [color of bear]. It sleeps in the winter and likes to eat honey.

Keep pulling the bear out until the audience yells, “Bear.” Hold the bear up.

“Yes! It’s a big, hairy bear!

Set the bear beside the dog where the audience can see it.

“You are really good at this game! Ready for another one? (Pause.) Here we go!

Slowly pull the plush bunny out of the box, revealing a little of the bunny at a time, until the audience guesses what it is.

“I see long ears covered in hair. It’s [color of bunny]. It likes to hop and eat carrots.

Keep pulling the bunny out until the audience yells, “Bunny.” Hold the bunny up.

“Yes! It’s a fluffy, hairy bunny!

Set the bunny beside the bear and dog where the audience can see it.

“We have time for one more. Get ready!”

Slowly pull the plush llama out of the box, revealing a little of the llama at a time, until the audience guesses what it is.

“I see some crazy hair this time. It’s [color of llama] and just might be the cutest thing I’ve ever seen!

Keep pulling the llama out until the audience yells, "Llama." Hold up the llama.

"Yes! It's a crazy haired llama!

Set the llama beside the bunny, bear, and dog where the audience can see it.

"All of our friends here have a lot of hair, but they're not the only ones. I want everyone to touch your head like this. *(Put your hand on your head.)*

(Option: Display Story Image W2 01)

"What do you feel? *(Pause.)* HAIR! Yes, God made people with hair. Some people have a lot of hair. And some have a little hair. Some people have no hair at all! But no matter if you have a little or a lot, God knows exactly how many hairs are on your head. It's true! The Bible teaches us that God knows how many hairs are on your head. Every. Single. One.

"Look at the friend sitting beside you. Can you imagine trying to count the exact number of hairs on their head? *(Pause.)* That would be so hard—impossibly hard! But God knows. God knows how many hairs are on your head and your head and your head *(point to a child each time)*—every person's head!

"God even knows when one hair falls onto your shirt, or when you get your hair cut, or when you brush your hair and they get stuck in your hairbrush. God knows!

"And do you know what all of this hair stuff means? It means YOU ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO GOD. That's what it means!

"You are so important to God that He even knows how many hairs are on your head.

(Option: Display Story Image W2 04)

"You are important to God when you're happy or sad. Mad or silly.

(Option: Display Story Image W2 02)

"You are important to God when you do something right and when you do something wrong. When you're at the dentist or running on the playground. When you're asleep in your bed or cleaning up your toys.

(Option: Display Story Image W2 03)

"You are important to God whether you're at the back of the line or at the front of the line. God made you, and that makes you very, VERY important to Him.

"Do you remember what you're supposed to say when I ask, '**Who made you?**' *(Pause.)* Well, I want to hear you say it every time I ask, '**Who made you?**' Got it? **Who made you?**'"

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STORYTELLER: “And THAT makes you very important to God.

“Okay friends, it’s time to pray. Let’s close our eyes and talk to God together.”

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: “Dear God, thank You for making people and for loving us like You do. You care so much about people that You even know how many hairs are on our heads. And there’s a lot of people in the world! But we are all THAT important to You. Help us to treat every person like they are important, because they are. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.

“Thank you for such a great day. You are all awesome! See you next time. Bye!”

The Storyteller puts the plush animals back in the box and exits with the box and Bible.

CG: Bible Story Wrap-Up Video

Worship: Inviting People to Respond to God

Engage kids’ hearts through dynamic and interactive worship in a Large Group setting.

WORSHIP LEADER: “Well hello, my friends! Raise your hands if you’re happy to be at church today! *(Pause.)* Me, too! I LOVE worshipping with you. And tell me, who made those hands you just raised? *(Pause.)* That’s right! **[Bottom Line] God made me! Who made you?”**

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] “God made me!”

WORSHIP LEADER: “Yes, and boy did He do an incredible job! Let’s stand up and sing out with those voices God gave us to tell Him thank You for the wonderful way He made you and me!

Lead children in singing “I Love The Way,” this month’s worship song.

“I LOVE the way that God made me and each and every one of you! Tell me, **who made you?”**

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] “God made me.”

WORSHIP LEADER: “Our memory verse says *I am (point thumbs to chest) fearfully (right arm muscle) and wonderfully (left arm muscle) made, (clap hands together) Psalm 139:14(NIV). (Hold hands open like a book.)*

Say the verse and do the motions together several times.

“That’s right! You are so special because you are made by God! He loves you, and He made you in a special way. Let’s sing this out together!

Lead children in singing “God Loves Me Specially.”

“I just want to shout and sing that God loves me and **[Bottom Line] God made me. Who made you?**”

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] “God made me.”

Dismiss children to small groups.