



### WEEK 3 - July 2020 - PRESCHOOL

**Bible Story Focus:** I spy someone who tells the truth.

Paul in Rome • Acts 28:11-31

**Memory Verse:** “These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.” John 20:31, NLV

**Key Question:** Who can believe in Jesus?

**Bottom Line:** I can believe in Jesus.

**Basic Truth:** Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

#### **Make it True**

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

-Large group time

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## Large group - MAKE IT TRUE

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### LARGE GROUP SCRIPT:

#### Bible Story

**What You Need:** Bible, a large toy boat, yellow poster board, light gray poster board, scissors, spray gold glitter, spray silver glitter, and tape or string to hang things

*Optional Story Images can be found in the Large Group Images folder. (02\_LG35\_Stage\_Images) They can be used in conjunction with this script.*

#### **What You Do:**

*Before Large Group:* Make a sun and moon out of your poster board. Cut a large circle out of the yellow poster board and spray it with the gold glitter. Cut a large circle out of the light gray poster board and spray it with silver glitter. Tape or hang the “sun” and “moon” in your storytelling area. Place the toy boat in the storytelling area.

**STORYTELLER:** “Hi, friends! I’m *[your name]*. I’m glad you played a game of ‘I Spy’ with *(host’s name)*. I need you to help me spy a few things for our Bible story. Can you show me your ‘I Spy’ eyes like this? *(Make binoculars with your hands.)*”

“Looking good! I think we’re ready.”

“Our true story is about a man named Paul. You can find his story right here in the Bible.”

*Hold the Bible up, open it, and lay it aside.*

“Paul believed in Jesus. He wrote letters to people telling them that Jesus is alive and He wants to be their friend forever.”

*(Option: Display Story Image W3 01)*

“Paul also traveled to cities to tell people that Jesus is alive and He wants to be their friend forever. Hmm . . . Paul traveled. Get your binoculars ready! *(Holds hands like binoculars.)*

“I spy, with my little eye, something that floats . . . and carries people across water . . . and sometimes people fish in them. Do you see something that floats, carries people across water, and sometimes people fish in them? Look with me!

*Hold the “binoculars” while you walk toward the boat.*

“Yes, it’s a boat! Sometimes Paul rode in a boat when he traveled.

“One of the cities Paul traveled to was called Rome. Rome is a big beautiful city, and lots of people live there. The people in Rome are very smart, and they like to talk about important things. So, while Paul was in Rome, he talked with the people about Jesus. Paul knew that nothing is more important than Jesus!

*(Option: Display Story Image W3 02)*

“Lots and lots of people came to hear what Paul had to say about Jesus. Paul would start talking about Jesus when the sun came up early in the morning. Get your binoculars ready! *(Hold hands like binoculars.)*

“I spy, with my little eye, something that is way up in the sky . . . that shines really bright . . . and keeps us warm . . . and makes things grow. Do you see something way up in the sky, that shines really bright, keeps us warm, and makes things grow? Look with me!

*Hold the “binoculars” while you walk toward the sun then point to it.*

“Yes, it’s the sun! Paul would keep talking about Jesus until the sun went down and the moon came up late at night. Get your binoculars ready! *(Hold hands like binoculars.)*

*(Option: Display Story Image W3 03)*

“I spy, with my little eye, something that is way up in the night sky. It gives light during the night . . . and has stars around it. Do you see something that is way up in the night sky, gives light during the night, and has stars around it? Look with me!

*Hold the “binoculars” while you walk toward the moon then point to it.*

“You are so smart! Yes, it’s the moon.

“From morning until night, Paul told the people in Rome that Jesus tells the truth.

“Jesus tells the truth when He says He is God’s Son. Jesus tells the truth when He says that if you believe in Him you will be His friend forever. Jesus tells the truth when He says He loves us and will never leave us.

*(Option: Display Story Image W3 04)*

“Everything Jesus says is the truth, so we can believe in Him. Many of the people who heard what Paul said about Jesus believed in Jesus and decided to follow Him. And because Jesus tells the truth, we can believe in Him, too! So, tell me, **who can believe in Jesus?**”

**CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] “I can believe in Jesus!”**

**STORYTELLER:** “Wow! You were such a big help telling today’s Bible story. Thank you for playing ‘I Spy’! Now, let’s close our eyes and talk to God together.”

#### **PRAYER**

**STORYTELLER:** “Dear God, telling the truth is so important. Thank You that we can always trust Jesus, because everything Jesus says is the truth. Jesus IS Your Son. Jesus IS alive. Jesus DOES loves us. And Jesus DOES want to be our friend forever. Help us believe, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.

“What a great day! I’m so glad I get to see you. I’ll see you next time. Bye!”  
*The storyteller exits with the Bible.*

*The host enters carrying the game cards.*

**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:** “Welcome, friends! Tell me, **who can believe in Jesus?**”

**CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] “I can believe in Jesus!”**

**WORSHIP LEADER:** “Yes! **[Bottom Line]** I can believe in Jesus! I spy friends who love Jesus! Let’s sing this out together.

*Lead children in singing “I Spy,” this month’s worship song.*

“Yeah! Jesus is the BEST friend ever. **Who can believe in Jesus?**”

**CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER:** **[Bottom Line]** “I can believe in Jesus.”

**WORSHIP LEADER:** “You are right! I’m so glad God gave us the Bible so we can learn about Jesus. Let’s say our memory verse. ‘These are written (*open your hands like a book*) so that you (*point out*) may believe (*point to head*) that Jesus is the Christ, (*point up*) the Son of God,’ (*rock baby*) John 20:31 (NLV). (*Open your hands like a book.*)

*Say the verse and do the motions together several times.*

“That was awesome! **[Bottom Line]** I can believe in Jesus. Let’s shout, shout, shout and sing, sing, sing together because Jesus loves you and me!

*Lead children in singing “Jesus Loves Me Remix.”*

“Jesus loves you so and He wants to be your friend forever. **Who can believe in Jesus?**”

**CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER:** **[Bottom Line]** “I can believe in Jesus.”

*Dismiss children to small groups.*