

WEEK 3 - July 2020 - TWO'S

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 Fun

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

.-Ride

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.

- -All the time
- -True or False
- -True Story

First 15 min - MAKE IT FUN

1. Ride

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

What You Need: no materials needed

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Spread the kids around the room

During the Activity: Encourage the children to pretend riding things. Like riding in a car or a horse.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's go for a ride!"

During the Activity: "We can pretend to go anywhere! Let's start riding! What should we pretending like we are riding?

After the Activity: "That was so much fun! Today in our Bible story, we will hear about someone who went to different places to tell people about Jesus."

Transition: Move to Bible story time by pretending to ride on a bus as you walk to the story area. You may also sing "The Wheels on the Bus" as you walk.

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE (snack)

What You Need: This month's worship song, "I Spy."

LEADER: "Welcome, friends! It's time to sing and celebrate together because **[Bottom** Line] I can believe in Jesus! Who can believe in Jesus?"

CHILDREN and LEADER: [Bottom Line] "I can believe in Jesus!"

LEADER: "Jesus is real, and He loves you and me! Stand up and sing with me, friends.

Lead children in singing "I Spy," this month's worship song.

"Great job! Remember, [Bottom Line] I can believe in Jesus!"

Last 20 min- MAKE IT STICK

1. All the Time

Hear from God | Memory Verse 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: A large toy clock

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Have children sit in front of you.

During the Activity: Hold the clock in your lap. Move the hands of the clock and announce the time. Then say the memory verse with the children. Repeat with different times on the clock.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's see what time it is!"

During the Activity: (Move clock hands.) "It's [time on clock], and we can tell others about Jesus. Let's say our memory verse together. (Recite verse.) We can be like Paul and tell others about Jesus ALL THE TIME! Let's do it again." (Repeat as desired.)

After the Activity: "We can tell others about Jesus so they can believe in Him, too! Who can believe in Jesus? [Bottom Line] I can believe in Jesus!"

2. True or False

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

What You Need: "Game Cards" Activity Page, cardstock, and scissors

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Make a copy of "Game Cards" on cardstock and cut the cards apart, one set per group.

During the Activity: Gather the children and lay the game cards face down where everyone can see them. Each time you read a card, encourage the children to respond with a thumbs up for "true" or a thumbs down for "false."

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We are going to play a game called 'True or False.' You will take turns drawing a card from this stack for me to read. If what I read is TRUE—it really

happens—then I want you to say, 'True,' and give me two thumbs up like this. (*Demonstrate.*) If what I read is FALSE—it does not happen—then I want you to say, 'False,' and give me two thumbs down like this. (*Demonstrate.*) Let's play!"

During the Activity: (Say each child's name when it is their turn. Hold the card for the children to see, and read it out loud.)

After the Activity: "Our Bible story, today, was about someone very special who ALWAYS tells the truth." (Give two thumbs up.)

3. True Story

Talk about God | Bible Story Review

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

What You Need: No supplies needed.

What You Do:

During the Activity: Retell the Bible story using hand motions for key points. Encourage the children to do the hand motions with you: thumbs up, rock a baby, hug yourself, and sign "Jesus loves me." (How to sign "Jesus loves me": Touch middle finger of right hand to left palm then middle finger of left hand to right palm, hug yourself, then point to your chest.)

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Come sit with me! We are going to tell the Bible story together."

During the Activity: "Paul went to a city called Rome to tell them that they can believe what Jesus says, because He always tell the truth. (Give two thumbs up.)

"We can believe Jesus when He says He is God's Son. Jesus is God's Son. Say that with me while you pretend to rock baby Jesus, like this. (*Pretend to rock a baby.*) Jesus is God's Son.

"We can believe Jesus when He says He loves us. Jesus loves me! Say that with your mouth while we say it with our hands like this. (Sign 'Jesus loves me.') Jesus loves me!

"We can believe Jesus when He says He wants to be our friend forever. Jesus wants to be my friend forever! Say that with me while we give ourselves a big hug like this. (Give yourself a hug.) Jesus wants to be my friend forever!

"We can believe in Jesus, because He always tells the truth. (Give two thumbs up.)
Who can believe in Jesus? [Bottom Line] I can believe in Jesus." (Repeat the words and motions to the Bible story review if time allows.)