

WEEK 4- July 2020 - TWO'S

Bible Story Focus: I spy something that is real. Jesus Prepares a Place • John 14:2-3; Acts 1:1-11
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	Make it True	Make it Stick
Activities to help kids	Captivate kids with a bible	Activities and crafts that
transition into the	story and help them	help kids personalize the
classroom and set up the	understand how it	story and apply the truths
bible story	connects to their world.	to their life.
Angels	-Large group time	-In the clouds -Community helper tag -Cloud hopper

First 15 min - MAKE IT FUN

1. Angels

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:

Before the Activity: Have the children stand in front of you with plenty of space in between each child.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to fly around the room and pretend to be angels.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's be angels!"

During the Activity: "Flap your arms and fly around the room just like angels." (*Demonstrate.*) We are angels!" (Continue as long as there is time and interest.)

After the Activity: "You did such a great job pretending to be angels. Today, we will hear a wonderful Bible story about where angels live!"

Transition: Move to Bible story time by pretending to fly like angels to the story area.

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE (snack)

What You Need: This month's worship song, "I Spy." LEADER: "Friends, what an awesome summer we've had learning that *[Bottom Line]* I can believe in Jesus! Jesus loves us so much. Stand up and sing this out!

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

"When you look in the Bible, you can believe that Jesus loves you, so! Remember that *[Bottom Line]* I can believe in Jesus!"

Last 20 min- MAKE IT STICK

1. In the Clouds

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

What You Need: cotton balls

During the Activity: Give each child a few cotton balls to be able to throw in the air. You can take turns.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Jesus has prepared a special place for us."

*During the Activity: "*Jesus' friends SAW Him go into the clouds! Let's pretend these cotton balls are the clouds."

After the Activity: "That was amazing! Just like the special place that Jesus has prepared for us. **Who can believe in Jesus?** [Bottom Line] I can believe in Jesus!" Have the children throw away thier cotton balls.

2. Community Helper Tag

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

What You Need: "Community Helpers" Activity Pages, cardstock, and painter's tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Community Helpers" on cardstock. Tape to the wall at preschooler height.

During the Activity: Call out different things the community helpers tell us to do. Children will run one at a time to the correct community helper picture on the wall. Repeat as long as desired.

After the Activity: Talk about how we'll hear what Jesus says about heaven.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Friends, come join me in the middle of the room. (*Pause.*) Look at the pictures on the wall. Who do you see? (*Pause.*) Yes! All of these pictures are people we call 'community helpers.' I have a game for us to play with these pictures."

During the Activity: "Listen. This person brings us mail and packages. Who is it? (*Pause.*) Yes! The mail carrier. Run to the picture of the mail carrier. (*Pause.*) Great! This person helps protect you or helps you when you get lost. Who is it? (*Pause.*) The policeman. Run to the policeman. (*Pause.*) This person helps us when we are sick. Who is it? (*Pause.*) The doctor. Run to the doctor. (*Pause.*) This person puts out fires. Who is it? (*Pause.*) A firefighter. Run to the firefighter! Okay, last one. This person tells us how to do things and teaches us about the Bible. Who is it? (*Pause.*) A teacher, that's right! Run to the teacher."

After the Activity: "In today's story, we heard what Jesus says about heaven, Great job friends!

3. Cloud Hopper

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

What You Need: "Clouds" Activity Page, cardstock, and floor tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Clouds" on cardstock, ten copies per group. Lay the "Clouds" on the floor in your activity area to create a path. Use the floor tape to secure them to the floor.

During the Activity: One t a time: Say the memory verse as the children hop along the cloud path on the floor. Repeat as time and interest allow.

After the Activity: Collect the cloud pages for clean-up.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "In our Bible story today, we learned that when Jesus was finished speaking to His friends, He went straight into the sky, through the clouds! What do you see on the floor? (*Pause.*) Clouds! Let's hop on the clouds as we say our memory verse together."

During the Activity: "These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, John 20:31. That was fun! Let's hop and say it again."

After the Activity: "This verse reminds us that we can believe in Jesus! The Bible tells us that Jesus has made a special place for us to live with him in heaven. Why? Because Jesus wants to be our friend forever! **Who can believe in Jesus?** [Bottom Line] I can believe in Jesus."