

WEEK 3 - June 2020 - TWO'S

Bible Story Focus: I spy someone who believes in Jesus.

Paul's Conversion • Acts 9:1-20

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

.- Road

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.

- Paul's Story
- Happy and sad
- -Prayer

First 15 min - MAKE IT FUN

1. Road

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

What You Need: Long piece of butcher paper, floor tape, and a marker

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Draw a road on the full length of the paper. Tape the road to the floor of the activity area. Be sure it is secure.

During the Activity: Invite the children to walk on the road one at a time with appropriate distance in between each child. After they have walked, challenge the children to hop, and tip toe on the road. Repeat as desired.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Today is a good day for a walk! Let's walk down the road!"

During the Activity: (Start walking.) "We can get down the road in other ways, too! (Demonstrate.) Nice job! Let's hop down the road!" (Continue and finish activity.)

After the Activity: "That was so much fun! Today, in our Bible story, we will hear about someone who was walking on a road and something AMAZING happened! Are you ready for a TRUE story from the Bible?"

Transition: Move to Bible story time by pretending that you are walking down a road to the story area.

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE (snack)

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 loves me and you in so many ways! Let's sing about it each and every day! Stand up and sing with me, friends."

Lead children in singing "Jesus Loves Me Remix," this month's worship song.

LEADER: "Yes, Jesus loves you and me! [Bottom Line] I can believe in Jesus!"

Last 20 min- MAKE IT STICK

1. Paul's Story

Talk about God | Bible Story Review

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: "Mean Paul Face," "Happy Paul Face," and "Story Reference Sticker" Activity Pages; cardstock; scissors; jumbo craft sticks; Avery® #5160 labels or equivalent; and white glue or glue sticks

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Make enough copies of "Mean Paul Face" and "Happy Paul Face" on cardstock so when cut apart, each leader can have one of each. Copy "Story Reference Sticker" onto label paper. Glue one face to each end of the craft stick.Put a"Story Reference Sticker" in the center of the craft stick.

During the Activity: The leaders will use their completed story sticks while you and the children sing the story review song together.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We learned a fun song about Paul in today's Bible story. (Hold up a completed story stick.) We're going to use when we sing the song."

During the Activity: "First, (Point to "Mean Paul Face" and give one copy with a craft stick to each child.) Paul has a mean face in this picture.

"Now, (Point to "Happy Paul Face" and give one copy to each child.) Paul has a happy face in this picture.

Now we can flip Paul's mean face and happy face like this *(demonstrate)* while we SING today's Bible story. Just do what I do and say what I say."

Sing with a mean face, or with "Mean Paul Face" on top of craft stick, to the tune of "Oh My Darling, Clementine."

"Oh my Paul, oh my Paul, you were so mean.

You did not love our friend. Jesus.

Oh my Paul, you were so mean."

Sing with a happy face or with "Happy Paul Face" turned to the top.

"Oh my Paul, oh my Paul, oh my Paul, you are so happy. You met Jesus, our friend, Jesus. Oh my Paul, you are so happy."

Repeat several times.

"When Paul believed in Jesus, he stopped being mean and hurting people. Paul became happy and started loving people. Paul believed in Jesus, and we can, too! **Who can believe in Jesus?** [Bottom Line] I can believe in Jesus!"

2. Happy and Sad

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

What You Need: Mr. Potato Head® playset or equivalent

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place the playset in the activity area.

During the Activity: Ask the children to make a sad face when you make one on Mr. Potato Head. Invite the children to make a happy face when you make one on mr potato head. Repeat as desired.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Today, we will hear a Bible story about a man who was mean and sad then happy."

During the Activity: (Hold up playset.) "Let's put a sad face on this Mr. Potato Head. (Do activity.) Great job! Now, let's make him HAPPY!" (Finish activity.)

After the Activity: "A man named Paul was sad then he became happy. Let's get ready to hear our Bible story today to find out who made him so happy!"

3. Prayer

Pray to God | Prayer Activity

Made to Reflect: An activity that encourages personal application and prayer

What you need: Bible opened up to verse: John 20:31.

What you say: "Now, let's sit down and talk about today's Bible story. One, two, three, sit down with me! (Open the Bible and lay it in front of the children.)

Paul didn't believe in Jesus at first. In fact, not only did he not believe in Jesus, he was mean to people who did believe in Jesus! Then he met Jesus, couldn't see for a while, people helped him, and soon he believed in Jesus, too. It really is an amazing story, and it's all right here in the Bible. (Hold up Bible.)

"Let's stand up and say our memory verse with the motions."

"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." (Open your hands like a book.)

"Because everyone can believe in Jesus, we're going to make a list of people who can believe in Jesus. It can be anyone you think of, because everyone can believe in Jesus. Got it? When I say your name, tell me one person who can believe in Jesus.

What you can say: "Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to be everyone's friend forever. Thank You that everyone can believe in Jesus, like (say a few names the children said). Jesus has the power to help every person be kind, tell the truth, and believe in Him. We are so grateful. You are the best, God, and we love You very much. In Jesus' name, amen."