

WEEK 1 - September 2020 - PRESCHOOL

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

LARGE GROUP SCRIPT:

Bible Story

What You Need: Bible, colorful coat or piece of fabric, and "Egypt" sign; Optional: Story Images

STORYTELLER: "Hello, friends! I'm so glad to be here with you, today, because I LOVE to talk about the true stories in the Bible! And today's true story is all about a plan. Did you know that God has a plan for you? It's true!

"God has a plan for each one of us, and He had a plan for a guy named Joseph from the Bible."

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"Now, Joseph had brothers. Raise your hand if you have a brother. Wow, you can put your hands down. Do you know how many brothers Joseph had? He had ELEVEN brothers. Raise your hand if you have eleven brothers. Yeah, I didn't think so!

"So, Joseph had how many brothers? (Pause.) Yes, eleven. Let's count to eleven.

Walk into the audience and tap the heads of 11 boys as you lead the children to count.

"One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven!

"Whoa, that's a LOT of brothers. One day, Joseph's father gave him a special gift.

Put on the colorful coat or drape the fabric around your shoulders.

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"It was a coat! A beautiful coat. When the brothers saw Joseph had a special coat and they didn't, how do you think they felt?

"Do you think his brothers were happy about his coat? Show me your happy face. (Demonstrate.)

"Do you think his brothers felt mad? Show me your mad face. (Demonstrate.)

"What do you think they were? (Pause to listen.) Yes, they were mad that Joseph had a special coat and they didn't. So, they took Joseph's coat (take off coat and throw it to the side) and threw him in a hole in the ground.

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"Whoa, that's not good. That would definitely make me mad or sad or even scared. But you know what? Joseph knew that God loved him, and he knew that God was always with him so he could trust God's plan.

"Just then, his brothers showed up and pulled Joseph out of the hole."

"Guess what happened? (Hold up the Egypt sign.) The brothers sent Joseph with some people going to Egypt. And they took him really, really far away.

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"Things were not going well for Joseph, but he knew that God loved him, and he knew that God was always with him. So, he could trust God's plan.

"God loved Joseph and had a plan for him. In fact, there is a LOT more of Joseph's story to tell. And God loves us and has a plan for you (point to children around the room) and you and you and you and you and you and me. God has a plan for ALL of us! That's the truth. So, when I ask, 'Who has a plan for you?', you say, [Bottom Line] 'God has a plan for me!' Who has a plan for you?"

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "God has a plan for me!"

STORYTELLER: "Yes, it's true! Let's pray and thank God for the truth that **[Bottom Line]** God has a plan for me."

PRAYER

"Heavenly Father, thank You for the plan you had for Joseph. Joseph trusted You, and we do, too! We know You have a plan for each of us. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

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: "Hello, friends! It's time to stand up and worship God together! Everyone, on your feet. Did you know that God has a plan for you and [Bottom Line] God has a plan for me? It's true! When I say, 'Who has a plan for you?', you say, [Bottom Line] 'God has a plan for me.' Who has a plan for you?"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] "God has a plan for me!"

WORSHIP LEADER: "That's right. God does have a plan—a really, really AWESOME plan! So, let's sing this out together.

Lead children in singing "Really Awesome Plan," this month's worship song.

"Great job, friends! God has a plan for you, and it's awesome. And **[Bottom Line]** God has a plan for me. We can always trust Him. Our memory verse from the Bible says . . .

"For I know (point to head) the plans I have for you,' (march) says (hands to mouth like yelling) the Lord, (point up) Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT)." (Open your hands like a book.)

"Can you say it with me?"

Say the verse and do the motions together several times.

"For I know (point to head)
the plans I have for you,' (march)
says (hands to mouth like yelling)
the Lord, (point up)
Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT)." (Open your hands like a book.)

WORSHIP LEADER: "That's right! God has a plan for you, and **[Bottom Line]** God has a plan for me. And the way He made each one of us is just as He planned. Sing this with me!

Lead children in singing "I Love the Way."

"When we wake up in the morning and wiggle those toes, we can remember that God has a plan for the day ahead. **Who has a plan for you?"**

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] "God has a plan for me."

Dismiss children to small groups.