

WEEK 4 - 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

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LARGE GROUP SCRIPT:

Bible Story

What You Need: The coat, the "Jail" sign, and stalk of wheat from previous weeks and a Bible; Optional: Story Images

Preset all items but the Bible onstage.

STORYTELLER: "Hello, everyone! I'm so glad to see you, because all month long we've been talking about Joseph! Who?"

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CHILDREN: "Joseph!"

STORYTELLER: "Great job, friends! Yes, Joseph. And you can read all about Joseph in the Bible. (*Hold up your Bible.*) Remember, everything we read in the Bible is 100% true! Now, we've been learning all month long about God's plan for Joseph, and today, we get to hear the last part of the story. And trust me, it's AWESOME.

"Joseph always trusted God's plan. Remember, Joseph had a lot of brothers.

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"ELEVEN actually. Everyone hold up two fingers like this to show eleven. (Hold your two pointer fingers next to each other.) Great job. All of those brothers got angry and jealous because their father gave Joseph a special coat.

Drape the coat/fabric over your shoulders.

"They were jealous because Joseph was given a special coat and they weren't. So, they stole the coat (take off the coat), and threw Joseph in a big hole. Then, they sent him with people who took Joseph far from home where he was thrown in jail.

Hold up the jail sign in front of you.

"Then, Joseph was taken out of jail. He helped Pharaoh learn about his dreams, and he got put in charge of giving hungry people food.

Hold up the stalk of wheat.

"Wow, what a plan huh? Three cheers for God's plan. God's plan is awesome!

Lead children to say, 'Hip, Hip, Hooray' three times.

"No matter how hard it was, Joseph knew that God loved him, that God was always with him, and that he could trust God's plan. But that's not the end of the story. There is more to God's plan. Remember those eleven brothers? (Lead children to hold up their two pointer fingers again.)

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"Well, back at home, the brothers were super-hungry and had no food. Everyone, show me what you look like when you're super-hungry and your tummy is all grumbly.

Hold your stomach and grimace, as if in pain.

"Yes, so hungry. And guess where those brothers had to go to get food?

Hold up the stalk of wheat.

"Do you remember who had saved food? (*Pause*.) Yes! They had to travel all the way to see Joseph, because he was in charge of all the food.

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But they didn't KNOW that Joseph was in charge. Everyone say, (dramatically, like the three chords of a movie's plot twist) 'Dum, dum, dum!"

CHILDREN: "Dum, dum, dum!"

STORYTELLER: "Those brothers had no idea they were about to see Joseph again. One day, Joseph was at the palace when his brothers came looking for food. Joseph was surprised to see them. Everyone, show me your best surprised face!

Open your mouth in a big 'O' and put your hands on the sides of your face.

"Yes, that's it! Joseph had a choice to make. Choice one, (hold up your pointer finger) he could forgive his brothers and give them food.

"Choice two (hold up two fingers), he could just send them away hungry! What do you think GOD wanted Joseph to do? (Hold up your pointer finger.) Give them food, or (hold up two fingers) send them home hungry? (Pause.)

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"You're right. God wants us to forgive. And that's exactly what Joseph did. Joseph forgave his brothers and gave them food. He even gave them a hug and was happy to see them. Turn to your neighbor and give them a high five.

"It was the best ending to the story, because Joseph followed God's plan. I love how Joseph followed God's plan. I want to follow God's plan, and you can, too. God's plan is definitely the BEST plan. Tell me friends, who has a plan for you?"

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

STORYTELLER: "That's the truth, friends! Just like God had an awesome plan for Joseph, He has a plan for you! And *[Bottom Line]* God has a plan for me. What a fun month talking all about Joseph. Let's pray and thank God for His plans for us.

"Heavenly Father, we LOVE You. Thank You for giving us the Bible so we can read about Your plans for people like Joseph. We know You have a plan for us, too. Help us follow You because Your plan is best. 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: "Hey, friends! It's been an awesome month here at [your environment's name] learning all about God's plans for us. **Who has a plan for you?**"

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

WORSHIP LEADER: "You are right! God loves you so. He has a plan for you, and **[Bottom Line]** God has a plan for me. Stand up, and let's sing about his really awesome plans for us!

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

"Beautiful singing, friends. Who has a plan for you?"

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

WORSHIP LEADER: "Yes, it's true, *[Bottom Line]* God has a plan for me. Let's say our verse together. *'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.) Say it with me!

Say the verse and do the motions together several times.

"God has an amazing plan, just for you! And He loves you so. Sing this with me.

Lead children in singing "God Loves Me Specially."

"Thanks for worshipping with me, friends! It's my favorite thing to do. One more time, **who has a plan for you?"**

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

Dismiss children to small groups.