



WEEK 1 - October 2020 - TWO'S

Today's Bible Story: God is always with me.

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego • *Daniel 3:1-28*

Memory Verse: "God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9, NLT

Key Question: Who's got it?

Bottom Line: God's got it.

Basic Truth: God loves me.

Make it Fun

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

.-Simon Says

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.

-Memory Verse
-God's Got it
-In and Out

First 15 min - MAKE IT FUN

1. Simon Says

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.

During the Activity: Invite the children to do the following movements: jump, touch toes, pat head, and spin around. Repeat as desired.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We're going to play a game. Everyone, watch me and do what I do. We have to really use our listening ears so that you will know what to do."

During the Activity: "I will do a movement, and if I say, 'Simon Says' before I do it, then you can do it, too! Be sure to listen super carefully! Simon says to jump. (*Jump.*) I said, 'Simon Says' so now you jump. Great job! Okay, let's do another one. Touch your toes. (*Pause.*) Wahoo! Great listening! I didn't say, 'Simon Says' so you didn't touch your toes. You're doing great!" (*Continue and finish activity.*)

After the Activity: "Today, we'll hear a Bible story about three men who God told to only bow to Him. I wonder what happened?!"

Transition: Move to Worship and Story by continuing the game as you walk to the story area. Give the children instructions and movements as you walk.

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE (*snack*)

What You Need: This month's worship song, "God Is With Me."

LEADER: "Hello, friends! It's time to worship! That's when we dance and sing to show God how much we love him. Did you know that no matter what, **[Bottom Line] God's got it?** It's true! When I say, 'Who's got it?', you say, **[Bottom Line] God's got it. Who's got it?**"

CHILDREN and LEADER: **[Bottom Line]** "God's got it."

LEADER: "Yes, He does. God is with us, no matter where we go. Sing this with me.

Lead children in singing "God Is With Me," this month's worship song.

"One more time, **Who's got it?**"

CHILDREN and LEADER: **[Bottom Line]** "God's got it."

Last 20 min- MAKE IT STICK

1. Memory Verse with Motions

Hear from God | Memory Verse 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:

Before the Activity: Say the memory verse and do the following motions in front of the children.

"God (*point both hands straight up*)
is with you (*point out to a friend*)
wherever (*wave hands in a circle*)
you go, (*march in place*)
Joshua 1:9 (NLT)." (*Open your hands like a book.*)

During the Activity: Say the verse again with the motions and invite the children to do it with you. Repeat several times.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "I'm going to say our new memory verse. Everyone watch me!"

"God (*point both hands straight up*)
is with you (*point out to a friend*)
wherever (*wave hands in a circle*)
you go, (*march in place*)

Joshua 1:9." (*Open your hands like a book.*)

During the Activity: "Now, let's do it together! Are you ready?"

"God (*point both hands straight up*)
is with you (*point out to a friend*)
wherever (*wave hands in a circle*)
you go, (*march in place*)
Joshua 1:9." (*Open your hands like a book.*)

After the Activity: "Our memory verse tells us that God is always with us, NO MATTER WHAT!
[Bottom Line] God's got it. Who's got it? [Bottom Line] God's got it!"

2. God's Got It!

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:

Option 1: "Big Daniel Story Images" Activity Pages, cardstock, black butcher paper, scissors, and tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity:

Cut a large umbrella out of the black butcher paper and tape it to the wall so the children can "sit" under it while you review the Bible story. This umbrella will stay up all month. Copy the "Big Daniel Story Images" on cardstock, one set per activity.

During the Activity:

Gather the children to sit "under" the umbrella taped to the wall..making sure they are sitting a few feet apart from each other. As you review the Bible story together, tape the "Big Daniel Story Images" in order horizontally from left to right under the umbrella.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Come sit with me under this umbrella! I want to talk about today's Bible story."

During the Activity:

(*Hold up story picture #1.*) "In the Bible story today, the king wanted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to bow down to his golden statue. They said, 'No.' They only bowed down to the one true God. This made the king very mad!

(*Hold up story picture #2.*) "The king got so mad that he threw Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego into the fire! Oh, no! But wait! When the king looked in the fire, he saw one, two, three, four people! God sent an angel to protect Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego from the fire!

(Hold up story picture #3.) “When the king saw that God had protected Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, he told them to come out of the fire. Then, he said that God is the one true God and everyone would only bow down to Him.”

After the Activity: “Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego knew that God is always with them and that no matter what happens, **[Bottom Line] God’s got it.** God is always with you and me, too, and no matter what happens **[Bottom Line] God’s got it!** So when I ask you, ‘**Who’s got it?**’, I want you to say, **[Bottom Line] ‘God’s got it.’** Okay, tell me, **who’s got it? [Bottom Line] God’s got it!** Yay, **[Bottom Line] God’s got it!**”

3. In and Out

Live for God | Application Activity

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

What You Need: Floor tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Make a large circle with the floor tape in the middle of the activity area.

During the Activity: Have the children stand outside the circle. Then say, “IN” and have the children jump into the circle and say, **[Bottom Line] “God’s got it!”** Then say, “OUT” and have the children jump out of the circle. Repeat several times.

Social Distancing Option: Make an individual tape circle for each child, use a hula hoop, or be sure circle is wide enough for children to be distanced appropriately.

What You Say:

During the Activity: “Let’s pretend that this circle is the furnace in our Bible story today. Let’s jump in and say, **[Bottom Line] ‘God’s got it.’** (*Do activity.*) Nice job! Now, jump out! Let’s do it again!” (*Finish activity.*)

After the Activity: “God listens to us and is always there when we need Him! **[Bottom Line] God’s got it. Who’s got it? [Bottom Line] God’s got it!**”