

WEEK 4 - November 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: Bible and floor tape

Optional: Story Images

What You Do: Use the floor tape to tape off a large rectangle around the children's sitting area.

STORYTELLER: "Hello, friends! I'm so happy to see you all here today. Our true Bible story begins with a city wall. A very, very BIG wall that went ALLLLL the way around the city of Jerusalem. The wall was there to keep people safe. In fact, do you see the tape on the floor? Everyone scoot inside that tape. Ready? Scoot. Scoot!

"Great job! Now, as I said, this wall was built all the way around the city of Jerusalem to keep the people inside the city, safe. Sort of like this tape is ALL the way around you. The wall around Jerusalem had been there a long time, and it was old. There were so many holes in it that it didn't keep the people safe anymore. It needed to be fixed.

"Thankfully, there was a man named Nehemiah. What was his name?"

CHILDREN: "Nehemiah."

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STORYTELLER: "Nehemiah used to live in Jerusalem. And when he heard about the wall and all the holes, it made him very sad. Everyone show me your sad face. (*Pause.*) Yes, oh so sad, just like Nehemiah.

"Well, Nehemiah wanted to do something about the broken wall. So, he decided to fix it himself. But he was just one person and the wall . . . (walk the perimeter of the tape 'wall') well, it was big, big, BIG! Nehemiah couldn't fix it all by himself. He needed help. On the count of three, everyone yell, 'HELP!' Ready? One, two, three."

CHILDREN: "HELP!"

STORYTELLER: "Guess what? Lots of people came to help fix the wall!

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"They all got to work on different parts. These people (walk to the children on the right side) worked on this part of the wall. Go ahead friends, gather around your part of the wall and fix it up!

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(to the children in the center) "And these people worked on this part of the wall. Go ahead friends, gather around your part of the wall and fix it up!

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(to the children on the left) "And these people worked to fix this part of the wall, too. Go ahead friends, let's get busy fixing that wall! Some people fixed gates and some fixed towers! They all worked together to get it fixed so it would be strong and safe.

"There were lots of people, just like there are lots of you, and everyone helped! Great job, everyone. The people worked and worked and worked until one day—everyone FREEZE—quess what?

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"They worked REALLY hard until one day, the wall was FINISHED! Everyone celebrate and say, 'Hooray!"

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: "Hooray!"

STORYTELLER: "Nehemiah was thankful God had given him people to help him fix the city's wall. God gives us people to help us because **[Bottom Line]** God is good. Who is good?"

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "God is good!"

STORYTELLER: "That's the truth. [Bottom Line] God IS good. Let's pray."

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: "Thank You for all the people who help us. So many people helped Nehemiah rebuild the wall, and lots of people help us each day, too. We know You give us people to help us because You are good, always. Thanks, God. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

Host enters. Storyteller exits.

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:** "Friends, tell me, **who is good?"**

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] "God is good!"

WORSHIP LEADER: "You're right! *[Bottom Line]* God IS good. His love for us is so very special. Sing this out with me!

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

"Everywhere I look, I see how much God loves me. The Bible tells us to 'Give thanks (clap on each word) to the Lord (point up) for he is good,' (two thumbs up) Psalm 107:1. (Open hands like a book.)

Say the verse and do the motions together several times.

"We can shout, sing, and say, 'Thank you.' Sing this with me.

Lead children in singing "Just Wanna Say Thank You."

"Did you know that God made you and [Basic Truth] God made me? God loves you, so much. Let's tell everyone that [Bottom Line] God is good."

Dismiss children to small groups.