

WEEK 1 - Nov 2020 - TWO'S

Today's Bible Story: I can thank God for good things.
Every Good and Perfect Gift • James 1:17; Genesis 1
Memory Verse: "Give thanks to the Lord for he is good." Psalm 107:1, NIV
Key Question: Who is good?
Bottom Line: God is good.
Basic Truth: God made me.

Make it Fun	<u>Make it True</u>	Make it Stick
Activities to help kids	Captivate kids with a bible	Activities and crafts that
transition into the	story and help them	help kids personalize the
classroom and set up the	understand how it	story and apply the truths
bible story	connects to their world.	to their life.
Tree Leaves	-Large group time	-Memory Verse -Gift Basket -Parachute

First 15 min - MAKE IT FUN

1. Tree Leaves

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

What You Need: Brown butcher paper; scissors; a pencil; wall tape; and green, yellow, and orange sticky notes

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Pencil a tree trunk with branches on the butcher paper. Cut out the trunk and tape it to the wall at preschooler level.

During the Activity: Give each child a sticky note and ask them to place their note on a branch to look like leaves. Repeat until the tree is full of leaves.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "We have a tree on our wall. Our tree needs leaves!"

During the Activity: "Let's place the leaves on the tree like this *(demonstrate).* Let's see how many leaves we can put on our tree!" *(Do activity.)*

After the Activity: "Wow! Look at all of the leaves! Our tree is BEA-U-TI-FUL! Trees are good things that God has given us! Today, we'll hear a Bible story about how God is good!"

Transition: Move to Worship and Story by walking tall like trees to the story area.

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE (snack)

What You Need: This month's worship song, "Special," which is included in your monthly files. The dance moves video for "Special" is available on the Orange Store or in your media package if you subscribe.

LEADER: "Helllooooo, friends! I'm so glad to see you here today. Let's get on our feet so we can dance and sing and tell God how awesome He is! You know, *[Bottom Line]* God is good! When I say, 'Who is good?', you say, *[Bottom Line]* 'God is good.' Who is good?'

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

LEADER: "That's right! He is good. God's love is special. Sing this with me!

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

"That was awesome. We can sing to, praise, and thank God because He is good! **Who is** good?"

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

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.

"Give thanks *(clap on each word)* to the Lord *(point up)* for he is good, *(two thumbs up)* Psalm 107:1 (NIV)." *(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!

"Give thanks *(clap on each word)* to the Lord *(point up)* for he is good, *(two thumbs up)* Psalm 107:1." *(Open your hands like a book.)*

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

"Give thanks (*clap on each word*) to the Lord (*point up*) for he is good, (*two thumbs up*) Psalm 107:1." (*Open your hands like a book.*)

After the Activity: "Our memory verse tells us that God is SOOO Good. Who is good? [Bottom Line] God is good!"

2. Gift Basket

Talk about God | Bible Story Review

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

What You Need: Gift box with lid, basket, and several items (real or toy) that represent things God made

Suggestions for items: Plastic star, banana, apple, flower, variety of toy animals, pictures of the sun, rainbow, and moon, toy people, etc.

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place all of the items in the basket. Place the basket and the open gift box beside each other. Invite the children to sit with you in front of the basket and gift box.

During the Activity: Pick an item from the basket. Hold it up for the children to see. Name the item and briefly describe it. Talk about ways the item is good, how God made the item, and that **[Bottom Line] God is good!** When you're done, place the item in the gift box. Next, call each child by name and let them pick an item from the basket. Each time a child picks an item from the basket, talk about the item and tell them to put it in the gift box.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Come sit with me! I have a basket of really good things that I want you to see!"

During the Activity: "When I pull something out, I want you to help me say what it is. Ready? (Pick an item and hold it up.) What is this? (*Pause.*) Yes! It's a [banana]! What color is the [banana]? (*Pause.*) Yes, [yellow]. What do we do with a [banana]? (*Pause.*) Yes! We eat [bananas]. I'll put the [banana] in the gift box, because it's a good gift God made for us." (*Continue in this way as the children take turns picking items from the basket and placing them in the gift box.*)

After the Activity: (Hold the gift box for the children to see.) "God made all of these good things because [Bottom Line] God is good! Who is good? [Bottom Line] God is good!"

3. Parachute

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: Silk leaves and a parachute or sheet

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Lay the parachute flat on the floor. Place the leaves on top of the parachute.

During the Activity: Ask the children to gather around the parachute with you and each pick up a section of the parachute. Invite the children to shake their arms so the parachute moves very fast. Encourage the children to try to bounce the leaves. Repeat several times. Sanitize parachute after use.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "God made the good things like trees and leaves."

During the Activity: "Let's play with the parachute! We'll put leaves on the parachute to bounce high. (*Do activity.*)

After the Activity: "Awesome job! God made good things. God made EVERYTHING good! Who is good? [Bottom Line] God is good!"