



WEEK ? - December 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, an angel decoration (large enough for the children to see), a very large gift bag, soccer ball, watercolor paints, train car, teddy bear, a small baby doll, and a gift box big enough for the baby doll to fit inside.

What You Do: Place the soccer ball, watercolors, train, teddy bear, and boxed doll inside the gift bag.

NOTE: The angel decoration will stay in the storytelling area all month.

The storyteller enters carrying a Bible and the large gift bag.

STORYTELLER: “Hello, friends! I’m [your name], and I’m here to tell you a true story from the Bible.

Hold up the Bible and lay it open on the table in the center of the storytelling area. Place the gift bag on the floor beside the table.

“As you can see, we are VERY excited for Christmas.

Hold up the angel decoration for the audience to see and continue holding it.

“And angels have a big part in the Christmas Story. If you’re ready for the story, on the count of three yell, ‘Tell me a story!’ One, two, three.”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: “Tell me a story!”

STORYTELLER: “It sounds like you’re ready!”

“Like I said, angels are a big part of the true story of Christmas. God sent an angel to announce that God would give a gift to everyone!

Place the angel back on the table.

“Do you like to get gifts? *(Pause for response.)* Me, too!

“I have an idea! Let’s play a game called, ‘Which would you rather have?’ I’ll hold up two gifts, and you say which gift you would rather have. Ready?”

Reach in the gift bag and pull out the soccer ball and watercolors.

“Which would you rather have, soccer ball or watercolor paints? *(Pause for response.)* That's great! Both are super fun gifts. Let's try another one.

Reach in the gift bag and pull out the train car and a teddy bear.

“Which would you rather have, a train car or a teddy bear? *(Pause for response.)* Fun!

“Now think about it. Why do we give gifts? Do we give gifts to show people we love them? *(Pause for a response.)* YES!

“Well, God loves you and me so, SO much that He gave us the most special gift ever!

Reach in the gift bag and pull out the gift box with the baby doll inside. Place it on the table beside the Bible.

(Option: Display Story Image W1 01)

“It all started long ago when God sent an angel to a girl named Mary. Mary was surprised and afraid when she saw the angel. Everyone, show me your surprised face!

Make a surprised face.

(Option: Display Story Image W1 02)

“But the angel said, ‘Do not be afraid, Mary. God wants you to know that you are going to have a baby! His name will be Jesus. He will be very special because . . .’

Lean toward the children.

“Are you ready to hear why Jesus is SO special? *(Pause for response.)* Jesus is special, because **[Bottom Line] Jesus is God's Son!**

Open the gift box and cradle the baby doll in your arms.

“The most special gift ever that God gave everyone was His very own Son, Jesus!

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“When Mary heard this amazing news, she told the angel that she would do what God wanted her to do. And that is the beginning of the true story of Christmas. An angel told Mary that God was giving us a very special gift, His very own Son, Jesus!

Put the baby doll back in the gift box and continue talking to the audience.

“Jesus is special because **[Bottom Line] Jesus is God’s Son!** So, when I ask you, ‘**Why is Jesus special?**’, I want you to say, **[Bottom Line] ‘Jesus is God’s Son.’** Got it? Let’s practice. **Why is Jesus special?**”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: **[Bottom Line] “Jesus is God’s Son.”**

STORYTELLER: “One more time! **Why is Jesus special?**”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: **[Bottom Line] “Jesus is God’s Son.”**

STORYTELLER: “Wonderful! Did you like the story? If you did, give me two thumbs up!

Look at the audience and give two thumbs up.

“Fantastic! Okay friends, it’s time to pray. Let’s close our eyes and talk to God together.”

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: “Dear God, thank You for loving us so much that You gave us the most special gift ever—Your Son, Jesus. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.

“There’s more to the Christmas Story, so I hope you come back next time to hear it. Bye!”

The Storyteller exits with the Bible and bag of story props, leaving the angel decoration on the table.

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:

What You Need: This month’s worship song, “Jesus Is.”

WORSHIP LEADER: “Friends! I’m SO happy to see you because this month we celebrate CHRISTMAS, the day Jesus was born! Jesus is so special—the best gift ever. When I ask, ‘**Why is Jesus special?**’, you say **[Bottom Line] ‘Jesus is God’s Son.’** **Why is Jesus special?**”

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: **[Bottom Line] “Jesus is God’s Son!”**

WORSHIP LEADER: “Yes! Jesus is SO very special. Let’s sing “Jesus Is” together.

Lead children in singing “Jesus Is,” this month’s worship song.

“Jesus is God’s Son! That is definitely something to celebrate. **Why is Jesus special?**”

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: *[Bottom Line]* “Jesus is God’s Son.”

WORSHIP LEADER: “That’s right! *[Bottom Line]* **Jesus is God’s Son!** The Bible tells us that ‘God (*point up*) loved the world so much (*hug yourself*) that he gave (*hands out with palms up*) his only Son,’ (*rock arms like a baby*) John 3:16. (*Open hands like a book.*)

Say the verse and do the motions together several times.

“That’s what Christmas is all about: the day God gave us Jesus because He loves us. Let’s show Him how thankful we are that He sent Jesus as we sing and dance together!

Lead children in singing “What Christmas Is About.”

“We can sing, shout, and dance all around because Jesus is what Christmas is all about! Remember, Jesus is special because *[Bottom Line]* **Jesus is God’s Son.**”

Dismiss children to small groups.