



## WEEK 3 - 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

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## Large group - MAKE IT TRUE

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### LARGE GROUP SCRIPT:

#### Bible Story

**What You Need:** Bible

*Optional: Story Images*

*The storyteller enters carrying a Bible.*

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

*Hold up the Bible and lay it open on the table.*

“In fact, this candy cane decoration reminds me of today’s part of the true story of Christmas!

*The storyteller points to the large candy cane leaning against the table.*

“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:** “Well then, let’s get started!

*(Option: Display Story Image W3 01)*

“One night, there were some shepherds watching their sheep out in a field. Shepherds have a hook they use to help take care of their sheep. It’s shaped just like this candy cane! A shepherd is someone who . . . well . . . someone who watches sheep. *(Chuckle.)* And sheep . . . I think you know what sheep are. What sound do sheep make? *(Pause for response.)* Very good! You sound just like sheep!

“Okay, you can stop baa-baaing now, because I’ve got something very special to tell you, and I want you to hear it. Lean in and put on your best listening ears.

*Lean toward the audience.*

“On that very night, while the shepherds watched their sheep, Jesus, God’s Son, was born!

*Jump back and make an excited face.*

“Show me your excited face! *(Pause for response.)* Wow! Those are some really great excited faces!

“It was all very exciting, but the shepherds didn’t know it, yet. All of that would change because God was about to make a big announcement! Are you ready for this?”

*Lean in towards the audience again.*

*(Option: Display Story Image W3 02)*

“While the shepherds watched their sheep, an angel appeared in the sky. The shepherds were so surprised! The angel told the shepherds, ‘A special baby has been born! He is God’s Son! Go and find Him in a manger!’

*Walk to the middle of the storytelling area.*

“Suddenly, the whole sky was filled with angels! They were praising God and saying, ‘Glory to God in the highest!’ Let’s pretend we’re angels, too. Hold out your pretend angel wings and say, ‘Glory to God in the highest’ together. Ready?”

*Lead the children in flapping their arms while saying, ‘Glory to God in the highest.’*

**CHILDREN and STORYTELLER:** “Glory to God in the highest! Glory to God in the highest! Glory to God in the highest!”

**STORYTELLER:** “That was awesome! You can put your angel wings down now.

“Everyone was excited about Jesus’ birth because **[Bottom Line] Jesus is God’s Son!** When the angels left, the shepherds had to remember what the angels told them to do. Do you remember what the angels told the shepherds to do? *(Pause for response.)* Yes! The angels told the shepherds to go see Baby Jesus in the manger! So, they ran to see Him! Let’s run with the shepherds to see Baby Jesus! Pretend to run with me!

*Run in place and pump your arms.*

*(Option: Display Story Image W3 03)*

“We’re going to see Baby Jesus! We’re going to see Baby Jesus! Whew! We made it. You can stop running.

“When the shepherds saw Baby Jesus, they knew they needed to tell everyone that Jesus, God’s Son, was born! Everyone who heard the good news that Jesus had been born was amazed. They knew Jesus is special because **[Bottom Line] Jesus is God’s Son. Why is Jesus special?**”

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

**STORYTELLER:** “Let’s say that in a whisper voice. **Why is Jesus special?**”

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

**STORYTELLER:** “Yes! *[Bottom Line]* **Jesus is God’s Son.**

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

*Look at the audience and give two thumbs up.*

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

### **PRAYER**

**STORYTELLER:** “Dear God, thank You for Christmas. It’s such a special time to celebrate Jesus’ birth. Help us do what the shepherds did and tell everyone that Jesus, Your Son, is alive and Christmas is all about when He was born. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.

“Okay friends, that was part three of the Christmas Story, and we have one more part to tell. I hope you come back next time to hear it. Bye!”

*The Storyteller exits with the Bible.*

*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:** “Welcome, everyone! Are you ready to celebrate Christmas? Me, too! Christmas is the day Jesus was born. Tell me, **why is Jesus special?**”

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

**WORSHIP LEADER:** “That’s right! God sent Jesus because He loves us! It’s a gift for every boy and girl! Sing this out with everything you’ve got!

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

“Joy is everywhere! Can you feel it? It makes me so happy when I remember that Jesus is special because *[Bottom Line]* **Jesus is God’s Son. Why is Jesus special?**”

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

**WORSHIP LEADER:** “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.*

“Let’s celebrate together because it’s ALMOST Christmas day. Sing this out with me because JESUS is what Christmas is about.”

*Lead children in singing “What Christmas Is About.”*

“If you’re so excited, and you know what Christmas is about, let me see a thumbs up! (*Pause.*) Awesome! **[Basic Truth] God loves me.** And God loves you. That’s why He sent Jesus as the best gift ever. Christmas is the BEST because of Jesus. **[Bottom Line] Jesus is God’s Son.**”

*Dismiss children to small groups.*