



## WEEK 2- January 2021 - PRESCHOOL

**Today's Bible Story:** Jesus' healing is amazing.

The Four Friends • *Mark 2:1-12*

**Memory Verse:** "Everyone who heard him was amazed." Luke 2:47, NIV

**Key Question:** Who is amazing?

**Bottom Line:** Jesus is amazing.

**Basic Truth:** Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

### **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:** Table; Bible; two step ladders; beach towel; large stuffed animal; four adult or teenage volunteers

*Optional: Story Images*

**What You Do:** Preset the table in the center of the storytelling area. Recruit four leaders or teenagers to carry in the beach towel with the stuffed animal. They will climb onto the step ladders and lower the beach towel to the floor.

*The storyteller enters carrying a Bible.*

**STORYTELLER:** “Hello, friends! I’m [your name], and it’s time for our TRUE story straight from the Bible. Are you ready to hear it? *(Pause.)* Awesome!

*Hold up the Bible and lay it open on the table in the center of the storytelling area. Take the two step ladders from under the table and set them up where you want them.*

“Today, I want to tell you another amazing, true story about Jesus. Now there are SO many amazing things we know for sure about Jesus. He’s God’s Son, He’s an amazing teacher, and today we’ll see Jesus do something NO one else can do.

*(Option: Display Story Image W2 01)*

“One day, Jesus entered a town, and when people heard he was there, they came running. In fact, everyone crammed into this house where Jesus was teaching. They were so excited to see Jesus. But they weren’t the only ones who wanted to see Jesus. There was a man who had to be carried by his four friends because his legs didn’t work, and he couldn’t walk.

*Volunteers enter carrying the beach towel with the stuffed animal on it and stand to one side of the stage.*

*(Option: Display Story Image W2 02)*

“When the man and his friends heard that Jesus, God’s Son, was in town, they wanted to see Him. They knew He could do amazing things. But the house was full of people, and they could NOT get in the front door.

“So, what do you think the friends did? Do you think they gave up and went home? Raise your hand if you think they went home? *(Pause.)* Hands down. Raise your hand if you think they found way inside. *(Pause.)* Yes! You can put your hands down. They found a way inside.

*(Option: Display Story Image W2 03)*

“They decided to climb on the roof. All right everyone, pretend you’re climbing.

*Motion arms and legs as if climbing a ladder and encourage children to mimic you. Two of the volunteers climb the step ladders with the beach towel as the other two leaders “spot” them on the ground.*

“Whew. Now they’re on the roof. How are they going to get their friend inside? They need to dig a hole in the roof. Everybody, dig a hole with me.

*Mimic digging a hole. Volunteers on the step ladders will slowly lower the beach towel. The two on the floor can help set it on the ground.*

“Great job! The friends dug a hole in the roof and lowered the man to Jesus. When Jesus saw how much the man and his friends believed that He could help, Jesus did something amazing! Jesus told the man to get up and walk.

*(Option: Display Story Image W2 04)*

*Hold up the stuffed animal like it’s standing.*

“And he did! Jesus made him all better! All the people were amazed. Everyone, show me your amazed face. *(Demonstrate.)*

“And how about a hand for our awesome volunteers? *(to the volunteers)* Thanks for your help. You guys can head back to your seats.

*Send volunteers back to their seats.*

“The people who saw what Jesus did had never seen anything like it! Jesus is God’s Son, and He can do things NO one else can do. He is out of this world. Tell me, **who is amazing?**”

**CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] “Jesus is amazing!”**

**STORYTELLER:** *(pointing to one side of the room)* “Okay, just this side of the room. **Who is amazing?”**

**CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] “Jesus is amazing!”**

**STORYTELLER:** *(pointing to other side of the room)* “Okay, now this side. **Who is amazing?”**

**CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] “Jesus is amazing!”**

**STORYTELLER:** “Yes, He is! Let’s pray and tell God how grateful we are that He sent Jesus to be our friend forever.”

### **PRAYER**

**STORYTELLER:** “God, thank You for Your Son, Jesus! He is amazing. He can do things no one else can do. Help us trust in Jesus because He wants to be our best friend forever. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name we pray, amen.

“Thanks, friends! I’ll see you next time.”

*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:** “Hey, friends. It’s time for worship! Are you excited? *(Pause.)* Me, too! This is the time when we praise and worship Jesus! Why? Because **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing! Who is amazing?**”

**CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] “Jesus is amazing!”**

**WORSHIP LEADER:** “You are right! **[Bottom Line] Jesus IS amazing.** Jesus can do anything. On your feet, friends. Let’s sing this out today.

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

“Great job, everyone! Our verse this month reminds us that **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing.** Say it with me.

“Everyone *(arms out and around)*  
who heard him *(hands behind ears)*  
was amazed,’ *(hold hands like binoculars, open and shut)*  
Luke 2:47. *(Open hands like a book.)*

*Say the verse and do the motions together several times.*

“That was awesome. I love the way that God made you. Sing this with me!

*Lead children in singing “I Love The Way.”*

“God made you so special, and He showed just how much He loves you when He sent Jesus.  
**Who is amazing? [Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing.”**

