



WEEK 3 - January 2021 - PRESCHOOL

Today's Bible Story: Jesus' power is amazing.

Calming the Storm • *Matthew 8:23-27*

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

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE

LARGE GROUP SCRIPT:

Bible Story

What You Need: Bible and thunderstorm SFX

Optional: Story Images

The storyteller enters carrying a Bible.

STORYTELLER: “Hello, friends! I’m [your name], and I’m here because it’s Bible story time!

Hold up the Bible and lay it open on the table in the center of the storytelling area.

“Today’s true Bible story is about someone who has the most amazing out-of-this-world power. I wonder what kind of power we have? Do you think we could stop the sun from shining in the sky? Let’s try. Everyone yell, ‘Stop, sun, stop!’ Ready?”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: “Stop, sun, stop!”

STORYTELLER: “Did we stop it? No. We don’t have the power to stop the sun. Do you have the power to make it rain? Let’s try. Everybody make it rain on the count of three. Ready? One, two, three, RAIN!

Make raining fingers by wriggling them from above your head down to your waist.

“Okay, stop! Is it raining? No? Do we have the power to make it rain? No. We don’t have the power. But, there is someone amazing who does! Do you know who it is? Jesus!

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“One night, Jesus and His friends were on a boat out at sea, and Jesus took a nap.

(Option: Display Story Image W3 02)

“All of the sudden, a huge storm came up! Can you help me make it sound like a storm? Rub your hands together like this.

Rub hands together to sound like rain.

“Do you hear the rain? Then it rained harder. Pat your legs everyone.

Pat your legs.

“And harder. Pat faster.

Pat legs faster and louder.

SFX: Thunderstorm

“And harder! And Jesus’ friends were scared. Stop patting and show me your scared face.

Show your scared face.

“It was raining, thundering, and lightning. And the boat rocked back and forth. Can you rock back and forth with me?

Rocks body back and forth as if on a boat.

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“So, Jesus’ friends woke Him up! ‘Help Jesus, help!’ they said. And guess what? Jesus stood up in the boat. He looked at the wind and the waves, and He told the storm to STOP!

(Option: Display Story Image W3 04)

SFX: END thunderstorm

(whispering) “And the storm stopped! Jesus had the power to stop a storm. His friends probably thought ‘WOOOOW!’ Can you say that with me?”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: “WOOOW!”

STORYTELLER: “Yes, they were amazed because Jesus, God’s Son, is out-of-this-world amazing. So tell me, **who is amazing?**”

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

STORYTELLER: “Who is amazing?”

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

STORYTELLER: “Yes! *[Bottom Line]* Jesus is **AMAZING!**”

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

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: “God, thank You for sending Jesus! He is SO amazing and so powerful that He can even stop a storm. Thank You for sending Jesus to be our friend forever. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name we pray, amen.

“Friends, you are awesome. Thanks for helping me tell our true Bible story today. I'll see you next time. 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: “Welcome, everyone! Are you ready to worship today? Tell me, **who is amazing?**”

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

WORSHIP LEADER: “Why is Jesus so amazing? Because there is NO one greater. On your feet, and let's sing out ‘He Is Amazing’ with everything we've got.

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

“Jesus is the very best. There's no one bigger or stronger or greater! **[Bottom Line]** **Jesus is amazing. Who is amazing?**”

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

WORSHIP LEADER: “The Bible tells us that ‘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.

“Jesus said and did SO many amazing things. I'm SO glad to know that **[Basic Truth]** **Jesus wants to be my friend forever.** He's the best! Let's sing one more song to Him today.

Lead children in singing “Jesus Is.”

“God loves us so much that He sent us His son, Jesus! **[Bottom Line]** **Jesus is amazing.**”