



WEEK 3 - January 2021 - TWO'S

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 Fun

Activities to help kids transition into the classroom and set up the bible story

- Stop

Make it True

Captivate kids with a bible story and help them understand how it connects to their world.

-Large group time

Make it Stick

Activities and crafts that help kids personalize the story and apply the truths to their life.

-Calm Verse
-One, two three blast off
-Out of this world crown

First 15 min - MAKE IT FUN

1. Stop

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: Have the children stand in front of you.

During the Activity: Call out a movement and challenge the children to do it. Then say, "STOP." When the children have stopped, call out another movement. Say, "STOP" again and proceed with the next movement. Movements are: jump, spin, touch toes, pat head, frog jump, and twist. Repeat as desired.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's get moving!"

During the Activity: "I will call out a movement for you to do. When you hear 'STOP' then everyone stops and freezes. Then, I will call out another movement for you to do. Are you ready?" (*Do activity.*)

After the Activity: "Great job! You are great movers and great listeners. Today, we'll hear a Bible story about someone who said 'STOP!' I can't wait to find out what happens!"

Transition: Move to Worship and Story by saying STOP periodically and having the children stop and freeze each time.

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE (*snack*)

What You Need: This month's worship song, "He Is Amazing."

LEADER: "Hey there, friends! Raise your hand if you know that **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing.** (*Pause.*) He is! And what's even MORE amazing is that **[Basic Truth] Jesus wants to be your friend forever!** So, let's worship Jesus today! On your feet friends!

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

"Who is amazing?"

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

LEADER: “Yes, He is! There is no one bigger or stronger or greater than Jesus! Thanks for worshipping with me, friends.”

Last 20 min- MAKE IT STICK

1. Calm Verse

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: Music player and the monthly song, “He Is Amazing” (Go to thrivingsongs.org)

What You Do:

During the Activity: Play monthly song and encourage the children to act silly to the music. Encourage them to swing their arms and legs and act “crazy.” Turn off the music and ask them to be calm. Say the memory verse together. Repeat several times.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Today, Jesus calmed the storm.”

During the Activity: “When I turn on the music, let’s all be silly and act crazy! We can move our arms and legs like this. (*Demonstrate.*) When the music stops, we can all be calm, just like the storm. Are you ready? (*Do activity.*) Great job! Let’s say our memory verse together! (*Finish activity.*)

After the Activity: “Our memory verse tells us that **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing! Who is amazing? [Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing!**”

2. One, Two, Three, Blast Off

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: Floor tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Tape a long line parallel to a wall in the activity area. Be sure the tape is at least five feet from the wall.

During the Activity: Have the children sit on the floor on the opposite side of the room from the tape. Say, “One, two, three, Blast Off” and challenge the children to get up and run to the tape. When they reach the tape, say **[Bottom Line] “Jesus is amazing”** together. Repeat as desired.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Let’s BLAST OFF!”

During the Activity: “Let’s all sit down over here. *(Point.)* When I say, ‘One, two, three, BLAST OFF!’ everyone get up and run to this line. *(Point.)* Are you ready? *(Pause and do activity.)* Nice job! You are awesome rockets! Let’s all say **[Bottom Line] ‘Jesus is amazing’** together!”
(Finish activity.)

After the Activity: “That was so much fun! Rockets are amazing, space is amazing, and stars are amazing, but nothing is as AMAZING as JESUS! **Who is amazing? [Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing!**”

3. Out-of-This-World Crown

Live for God | Application Activity

Made to Create: An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, Bottom Line, or memory verse by creating a craft

What You Need: “Amazing Crown” Activity Page, colorful cardstock, scalloped bulletin board border, star and planet stickers, scissors, glue sticks, marker, stapler, and masking tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy “Amazing Crown” on cardstock and cut out, one per child. Cut border in 24-inch lengths, one per child.

During the Activity: Encourage children to glue the “Amazing Crown” to their border and add stickers. Leader will measure crown on their head and staple with the bend inside the crown. Add a piece of tape over the bend of the staple. Write child’s name on the crown. Let children wear them around.

After the Activity: Talk about how Jesus is amazing.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Jesus is out-of-this-world AMAZING! Let’s make a crown, an amazing crown.”

During the Activity: “This will be the base of your crown. *(Give each child a border.)* Glue this paper to it. *(Pause.)* It says **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing**. Now, add some out-of-this-world stickers to your crown. *(Pause.)* Awesome. Let’s make them into crowns. *(Follow directions above.)* Put your crowns on and tell me **who is amazing? [Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing**. Nice job, friends!”

After the Activity: “Today, we heard another story of how amazing Jesus is. When Jesus and His friends were on the boat, a big storm came up and frightened the disciples. They woke Jesus from His nap and asked for help. Jesus stood up and told the storm to stop. And the storm stopped. Amazing! Only Jesus has the power to stop a storm. The disciples were amazed because Jesus, God’s Son, is out-of-this-world amazing. **Who is amazing? [Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing.**”

