

WEEK 2 - February 2020 - PRESCHOOL

<u>Make it True</u>

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, chair, dust rag, plastic bowl, and spoon; Optional Story Images

What You Do: Preselect two female Small Group Leaders to play the roles of Mary and Martha. Explain that they will have NO speaking parts and that they will be shown what to do during the Bible story.

The storyteller enters carrying the props. The chair is preset in the storytelling area.

STORYTELLER: "Hello, friends! I'm [your name], and I can't WAIT to share a Bible story with you today. And remember, if it's in the Bible, it is true!

Hold up the Bible.

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"Today's true story from the Bible happened at a house where two sisters lived. Will my volunteers please come help me?

Pause as preselected volunteers join you.

"Thanks so much for helping me out today. The two sisters from our Bible story were named Mary and Martha. What were their names?"

CHILDREN: "Mary and Martha."

STORYTELLER: "That's right! Now Mary and Martha were friends with Jesus. One day, they heard Jesus was coming to visit them at their house. They were SO excited. Do you like to have friends over at your house? (*Pause.*) What do you like to play? Raise your hand if you like to color with your friends. (*Pause.*) Raise your hand if you like to eat snacks with your friends. (*Pause.*) Raise your hand if you like to play outside with your friends. (*Pause.*)

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"It's so great to spend time with friends! As soon as Jesus got to Mary and Martha's house, Mary sat right down at his feet. *(to one of your volunteers)* Mary, why don't you sit right here on the floor.

Pull up the chair and have Mary sit on the floor next to it.

"Mary wanted to hear everything Jesus had to say. Her friend, Jesus, was here, at HER house, and she didn't want to miss anything!

"But Martha, well, she had things to do.

Hand the other volunteer the bowl, spoon, and dust rag.

"Martha was cooking. *(to the volunteer)* Go ahead Martha, start stirring. That does smell good. Martha wanted there to be yummy food for her guest.

"And she was also cleaning. (to the volunteer) I think you missed a spot over there.

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"Martha was working so hard trying to make everything perfect because she loved Jesus, so much! Finally, she went to Jesus and said, 'Make my sister help me. I'm doing all the work!'

"But do you know what Jesus said? Jesus told Martha that spending time with Him is the best thing to do.

Take the bowl, spoon, and dust rag from the volunteer and lead her to sit on the floor on the other side of the chair.

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"Martha didn't need to be worried about the cooking and cleaning. Jesus just wanted Martha to spend time with Him.

"That's the kind of friend Jesus is. He doesn't need everything to be just right. He loves us, no matter what, and He wants to spend time with *(pointing to the two volunteers)* you and you, *(point to the children)* and you and you.

How about a big hand for our awesome volunteers! Thanks so much. friends.

Send volunteers back to their seats.

"After hearing about Martha and Mary, do you think we should talk to Jesus? Let me see a thumbs-up! (*Pause.*) Should we dance and sing songs to Him? Should we take walks and thank

Him for all the things He's made? Absolutely! Because Jesus loves spending time with us and wants to be our friend forever! Jesus loves you, and He wants to spend time with you!

"Tell me, who loves you?"

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "Jesus loves me!"

STORYTELLER: "Now, turn to your friend and say it. Who loves you?"

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "Jesus loves me!"

STORYTELLER: "You got it! Jesus wanted to spend time with Mary and Martha, and He wants to spend time with you, too!

"Okay friends, let's spend time with Jesus by talking to Him right now. Let's close our eyes."

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: "Jesus, thank You for loving us and wanting to spend time with us. Help us always remember that You love us and want to be our friend forever. Jesus, You're awesome! Amen.

"Thanks, friends! I'll see you later gators!"

The Storyteller exits with the props and 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: "Friends, I'm so glad you're here today. It's time to worship Jesus. We can know for sure that **[Bottom Line]** Jesus loves me. Who loves you?"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] "Jesus loves me."

WORSHIP LEADER: "Yes, He does! Let's sing this out together.

Lead children in singing "Whole Lotta Bit," this month's worship song.

"Great job! We'll sing that song all month long. Jesus' love will never quit! Why? Because **[Basic Truth] Jesus wants to be your friend forever.** In fact, the Bible tells us that 'A friend (hook your pointer fingers together) loves (hug yourself) at all times,' (stretch your arms out and turn in a circle) Proverbs 17:17. (Open hands like a book.)

"Let's learn our memory verse together. Are you ready?

Say the verse and do the motions several times.

"Jesus loves us at ALL times! He is amazing. Let's sing this next song. Give it everything you've got.

Lead children in singing "He Is Amazing."

"I LOVE that song. There is only one *(hold up one finger)* who loves like Jesus. He IS the very best. One more time, **who loves you?**"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] "Jesus loves me."

Dismiss children to small groups.