

WEEK 3 - February 2020 - PRESCHOOL

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 table; Optional Story Images

What You Do: Preset the table in the storytelling area, away from the kiddie pool

The storyteller enters carrying a Bible.

STORYTELLER: "Hello, friends! It's so good to see you today! I'm [your name], and I have an awesome true Bible story to share with you today.

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

"But first, on your feet soldiers. That's right. It's time to march. Everyone, stand up. Ready? (begin marching) Hup, two, three, four, one, two, three, four, one, two, three, four . . . attention.

Stop and stand very still.

"At ease soldiers. That means you can have a seat. Good job! Today's story is about a special kind of soldier called a Centurion. That's a cool word. Can you say, 'Centurion'?"

CHILDREN: "Centurion!"

STORYTELLER: "Centurions were leaders in the army. They were big and important! Their soldiers listened to them. But the Centurion in our Bible story believed that Jesus was even MORE important. And THIS Centurion needed Jesus' help.

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"So, the Centurion went to Jesus and said, 'Jesus, my servant is at home, and he is very, very sick. Please, I need your help to make him better.'

"Now remember, Jesus was busy, and He was on His way to do important work. But do you think that stopped Jesus from helping the Centurion? (*Pause*.) No way.

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"Jesus said, 'Do you want me to come to your house and make him better?' Jesus was willing to go all the way to the Centurion's house to heal his servant.

"Do you think the Centurion said, 'Yes, come to my house?' Nod your head, yes or no. (Pause.)

"Guess what? The Centurion said, 'You are way too special to come to my house. I know, you can just say it, and my servant will get better!'

"And that's exactly what Jesus did, friends! Jesus told the Centurion to go home and the servant would be all better. Do you think the servant was better when the Centurion returned home? (*Pause.*) YES! He was. Wow! Jesus is such a good friend. Jesus heard someone needed His help, and He helped them.

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"Jesus loved the Centurion and his servant JUST like He loves you! That's why Jesus wants to be your friend forever, because He LOVES you, so very much. **Who loves you?**"

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

STORYTELLER: "Who loves you?"

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

STORYTELLER: "Yes, He does! Jesus loves you, and He wants to help you.

"Okay friends, it's time to pray. Let's close our eyes and thank Jesus for loving and helping us."

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: "Jesus, thank You for the way You helped the Centurion. He knew You could heal his servant, and You did because You loved him. We know You will help us, too, because You love us. And we love You. Amen!

"Friends, you did a great job! 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: "Hello, friends! If you know that [Bottom Line] Jesus loves me and Jesus loves you, let me see a big thumbs-up. (Pause.) Awesome! Tell me, who loves you?"

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

WORSHIP LEADER: "That's right! And Jesus doesn't love us a little bit. He loves us a lotta bit. Let's sing this to Jesus.

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

"Beautiful singing, friends. I know, no matter what, Jesus' love never stops! He is the best friend ever.

"The Bible teaches 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 practice that together.

Say the verse and do the motions several times.

"We can be good friends who love at all times when we remember that **[Basic Truth]** Jesus wants to be our friend forever. Jesus is the BEST! Who loves you?"

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

WORSHIP LEADER: "Yes, He does! God sent Jesus, His only Son, for everybody. Sing this with me.

Lead children in singing "Jesus Is."

WORSHIP LEADER: "You can be a good friend, the kind of friend who loves at ALL times, when you remember just how much Jesus loves you! One more time, **who loves you?**"

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

Dismiss children to small groups.