



## WEEK 1 - March 2021 - PRESCHOOL

### **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:** Bible, flashlight, and a bowl; *Optional Story Images*

*The storyteller enters carrying a Bible and flashlight.*

**STORYTELLER:** “Wow, that car is cool, isn’t it? Did you see those lights? Jesus told a story about how WE can be lights. Do you want to hear it? Awesome!

*(Option: Display Story Image W1 01)*

“So the true story about Jesus begins with Him talking to a big group of people.

*Hold Bible open.*

*(Option: Display Story Image W1 02)*

“Jesus told the crowd that He wanted them to go out and love people so that they would know God and praise Him. And Jesus really wanted them to understand, so He gave them a picture of a light.

*Hold up the flashlight.*

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“Do you know what this is? *(Pause.)* That’s right! It’s a flashlight. And what does a flashlight do? *(Pause.)* It shines!

*Turn on the flashlight. If possible, lower the stage lights, too.*

“Wow! Would you look at that! Jesus said that when we love others, it’s like shining a light that shows everyone, ‘Look, God loves you! He really loves you!’

“We can love others by helping them, by sharing, and by saying kind words. When we don’t love others, it’s like we’re covering up our light.

*(Option: Display Story Image W1 04)*

*Cover flashlight with a bowl.*

“Wait! Where’d the light go? Everyone say, ‘No, don’t cover it up!’”

**CHILDREN:** “No, don’t cover it up!”

**STORYTELLER:** “Jesus said, ‘Let your light shine!’

*(Option: Display Story Image W1 03)*

*Uncover the flashlight.*

“And we don’t have to wait to let our light shine. We can love like Jesus! We can start, right now! That’s right. Start your engines, friends! We can go, go, go and be a light and love like Jesus.

“Could we share our toys to shine a light? *(Pause.)* Absolutely.

“Could we help our mom or dad to shine a light and love others like Jesus? *(Pause.)* You bet!

“Could we use kind words to shine a light and love others like Jesus? *(Pause.)* Of course!

“There are lots of ways we can show love to others like Jesus loves us!

“When I ask, ‘**Who can love like Jesus?**’, I want you to say, **[Bottom Line] ‘I can love like Jesus.’** Ready? **Who can love like Jesus?**”

**CHILDREN and STORYTELLER:** **[Bottom Line] “I can love like Jesus.”**

**STORYTELLER:** “**Who can love like Jesus?**”

**CHILDREN and STORYTELLER:** **[Bottom Line] “I can love like Jesus!”**

**STORYTELLER:** “That’s right, friends! Now, let’s ask God to help us shine bright this week.”

## **PRAYER**

**STORYTELLER:** “God, thank You for sending Jesus to be our friend forever! Help us to shine our lights bright this week so we can love others like Jesus. We want to help, share, and say kind words, every chance we get. We love You. In Jesus’ name we pray, amen.

“Friends, you are awesome! Go shine bright and love others like Jesus this week. I’ll see you next time. Bye!”

*The Storyteller exits with the Bible, flashlight, and bowl.*

**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, friends! It's so good to see you because it's time for worship! One big way we can show Jesus how much we love Him is by singing songs about how awesomely amazing He is! Jesus loves you, and YOU can love others, too! That's what we'll learn about all month long. **Who can love like Jesus?**"

**CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER:** *[Bottom Line]* "I can love like Jesus."

**WORSHIP LEADER:** "Yes, you can! Now, let's stand up and show Jesus just how much we love Him as we worship together!"

*Lead children in singing "Love Like Jesus," this month's worship song.*

"That was so fun! Jesus can help you and me be good, good friends! In fact, that's what our memory verse is all about. Will you say it with me? 'Love each other (*hug yourself*) as I (*point up*) have loved you,' (*point thumbs to chest*) John 15:12. (*Open hands like a book.*)

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

"Yes! Jesus said to love others as He loves us. Jesus is amazing! Let's sing this out to Him.

*Lead children in singing "He Is Amazing".*

"Jesus IS the strongest, and He's so, so good! AND, **[Basic Truth] Jesus wants to be my friend forever.** One more time, **who can love like Jesus?**"

**CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER:** *[Bottom Line]* "I can love like Jesus."

*Dismiss children to small groups.*