

WEEK 3- 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

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE

LARGE GROUP SCRIPT:

Bible Story

What You Need: Table, Bible, and large foam finger; Optional Story Images

The storyteller enters carrying a Bible and the foam finger.

STORYTELLER: "Hello, friends! I'm [your name]! It's great to see you here today. I have an awesome true story straight from the Bible.

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

"Today, we're talking about the number one, most important thing you could EVER do.

Put the foam finger on your hand.

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"The number one, most important thing is . . . to love like Jesus. Loving others like Jesus is the best thing we can do. How do we love like Jesus? I have some stories about Jesus that will show us how.

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"One time, there was a man who couldn't walk. He needed help, and Jesus helped him. Helping our friends is ONE way (hold up the foam finger) we can love like Jesus.

"If they're sad—everyone show me a sad face. (Pause.) Oh, so sad! When a friend is sad, we can help cheer them up. Everyone show me your happy face. (Pause.) Much better! If they need help learning to play a game, we can help teach them. We show others we love them when we help them!

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"Another time, Jesus was teaching a lot of people, and they all got hungry. Show me what it looks like when you're SO hungry and your tummy rumbles. (Pause.) SO hungry! But they only

had two fish and five loaves of bread. Jesus prayed and thanked God for the food, then He shared it with over 5,000 people! That's a LOT of people.

"Sharing with our friends is another way we can love like Jesus. If we have an awesome snack, we can share it. If someone wants to play with our toys, we can give them a turn. We can show others we love them when we share with them.

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"There's one more thing (wave the foam finger) I want to tell you about Jesus. One time, some people brought a woman to Jesus and said mean words about her. Everyone say, 'That's not kind."

CHILDREN: "That's not kind."

STORYTELLER: "You're right. It wasn't kind! But Jesus chose to love her, and He was kind to her.

"Saying kind words is another great way you can love like Jesus. We can say, 'thank you' when someone helps us. We can tell someone they look nice today or make them laugh. Saying kind words can really make someone feel loved.

"So that's it friends. We can love like Jesus when we help, when we share, and when we say kind words. And do you know when we can start?

"RIGHT NOW! So start your engines and let's go, go, go and do the number one (hold up the foam finger) thing—LOVE like Jesus. Tell me, who can love like Jesus?"

CHILDREN: [Bottom Line] "I can love like Jesus."

STORYTELLER: "This side of the room (point to the left side of the room with your foam finger), who can love like Jesus?"

CHILDREN: [Bottom Line] "I can love like Jesus."

STORYTELLER: "Now this side of the room (point to the right side of the room with your foam finger), who can love like Jesus?"

CHILDREN: [Bottom Line] "I can love like Jesus."

STORYTELLER: "We only have ONE big thing (wave your foam finger) to remember, and that's to love like Jesus. Let's pray and ask God to help us do that this week. Let's close our eyes as we talk to God."

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: "God, thank You for loving us. Help us do the NUMBER one thing and love others like Jesus this week when we help, share, and use kind words. We love You. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

"Thanks for being such great listeners! See you next time. Bye!"

The Storyteller exits with the Bible and foam finger.

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 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! Friends, did you know that Jesus LOVES you? It's true. And did you know YOU can love others like Jesus loves you? That's what we've been learning 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 a good, good friend! 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, give it everything you've got, who can love like Jesus?"

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

Dismiss children to small groups.