

WEEK 4 - 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: Bible, three blankets, and a palm branch; Optional Story Images

The storyteller enters carrying a Bible, a pile of blankets and a palm branch.

**STORYTELLER:** "Hello, friends! I'm [your name].

Set the blankets and palm branch on the floor by the table.

"Okay, I think we have everything we need. Today's TRUE story from the Bible is about Palm Sunday.

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"It all started outside the town of Jerusalem when people found out that Jesus was on His way to their town!

"The people were so excited! They had heard that Jesus could do amazing things, and they wanted to see Him. The people wanted to show that Jesus was special, so they got their coats.

Begin spreading out the blankets on the floor of your stage.

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"They spread their coats on the road like this.

Pick up the palm branch.

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"And they waved their palm branches in the air. (to the children) Would you like to wave palm branches too? (Pause.) Great! Stand up where you are! Pretend to wave your palm branch with me!

Wave your palm branch as children pretend to wave theirs.

"Great job! When Jesus came through town, the people waved their palm branches and shouted, 'Hosanna, Hosanna!' Let's practice. Everyone, wave your palm branches and say it with me."

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: "Hosanna, Hosanna!"

**STORYTELLER:** "So when Jesus came through town, the people were ready! They waved their palm branches and said—say it with me."

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: "Hosanna, Hosanna!"

STORYTELLER: "Great! Now say, 'Hosanna, Hosanna. Yay, Jesus!"

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: "Hosanna, Hosanna! Yay, Jesus!"

**STORYTELLER:** "Great job, everyone. One more time, louder this time. And wave those palm branches."

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: "Hosanna, Hosanna! Yay, Jesus!"

**STORYTELLER:** "Great job. Friends, you can have a seat.

"Palm Sunday is a special day where we celebrate Jesus. But you don't have to have a palm branch, and you don't have to lay your coats on the ground to celebrate Jesus. We can sing to Jesus. We can dance! We can pray! We can yell, 'Yay, Jesus!' every day.

"The best thing we can do to celebrate Jesus is to love like Jesus. So start your engines friends. And let's go, go, go and love like Jesus! **Who can love like Jesus?"** 

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

**STORYTELLER:** "Now wave those palm branches as you say it. **Who can love like Jesus?**"

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

**STORYTELLER:** "Yes, you can! And you can ask God to help you love like Jesus, too. Let's pray and talk to God."

#### **PRAYER**

**STORYTELLER:** "God, thank You for sending Jesus to be our friend forever! We can show Jesus we love Him and celebrate how GOOD He is when we love others! Help us love like Jesus this week. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

"Thanks for helping me with our Bible story today! I'll see you next time. Bye!"

The Storyteller exits with the Bible and palm branch (leaving the blankets behind).

#### 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:** "Hey, everyone! Who's ready to worship? Awesome! Worship time is my favorite time because we can dance and sing to show Jesus how much we love Him. Tell me, who can love like Jesus?"

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

**WORSHIP LEADER:** "I'm so glad to know that Jesus loves me, and I can share His love with everyone around me. I wanna love like Jesus! Let's sing this out!

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

"That was so fun. With Jesus' help, I can love others! In fact, that's what Jesus tells us to do. I know you've been learning this verse all month long. Let's say it together. '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.

"Way to go, friends! You know, Jesus LOVES you a whole lotta, lotta! Let's dance, sing, and show Jesus we love Him, too!

Lead children in singing "Whole Lotta Bit."

"I'm SO glad to know that **[Basic Truth]** Jesus wants to be my friend forever. And because I know He loves me, I can love others like Jesus! Who can love like Jesus?"

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

Dismiss children to small groups.