



WEEK 2 - March 2021 - TWO'S

Today's Bible Story: When you love like Jesus, you can be a good friend.
Washing Feet • *John 13:3-17*

Memory Verse: "Love each other as I have loved you." John 15:12, NIV

Key Question: Who can love like Jesus?

Bottom Line: I can love like Jesus.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Make it Fun

Activities to help kids transition into the classroom and set up the bible story

-Bubbles

Make it True

Captivate kids with a bible story and help them understand how it connects to their world.

-Large group time

Make it Stick

Activities and crafts that help kids personalize the story and apply the truths to their life.

-Memory verse
-Clean feet
-Wash the feet

First 15 min - MAKE IT FUN

1. Bubbles

Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn

You Need: Bubble solution and a large bubble wand or machine

NOTE: We recommend that you only use a hand-operated wand or bubble machine to prevent using your mouth to blow bubbles during the Covid-19 pandemic.

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Have the children sit in front of you.

During the Activity: Blow the bubbles toward the children. Encourage the children to pop all of the bubbles using only their feet. Repeat several times.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "I am so excited to play with bubbles!"

During the Activity: "When I blow the bubbles, you may pop them with your FEET. Don't use your arms or hands. Let's see how many bubbles we can pop! Are you ready? (*Do activity.*) Great job!"

After the Activity: "We will hear a wonderful Bible story about how Jesus was a good friend and washed His friends' feet!"

Transition: Move to Worship and Story by chanting "Jesus wants to be my friend forever!" as you walk to the story area.

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE (*snack*)

WORSHIP LEADER: "Welcome, everyone! It's going to be a great day because Jesus LOVES you! It's true! And because He loves us, we can share that love with others. When I ask, '**Who can love like Jesus?**', you say, [*Bottom Line*] '**I can love like Jesus.**' **Who can love like Jesus?**"

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

WORSHIP LEADER: "We sang this song last week. It's so, so fun! On your feet, friends! It's time to dance and sing to Jesus.

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

WORSHIP LEADER: “Great job, friends. I’m so glad to know that **[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.”

Last 20 min- MAKE IT STICK

1. Memory Verse Feet

Hear from God | Memory Verse Review

Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler’s natural desire to move to help them learn

What You Need: Butcher paper, pencil, and crayons

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Lay the butcher paper on the ground

During the Activity: Have children stand on the paper and you trace around their feet. Have the children hop off the page then hop back on and say the verse together. Give the children a few minutes to color their feet.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “In our Bible story today, we learned how Jesus showed love to His friends by washing their feet. I want each of you to step onto the page. I will trace around your feet!”

During the Activity: “Okay first, everyone hop off your page. Great job! Now, let’s hop back on and say our memory verse together. You can do the motions, too!

“Love each other (*hug yourself*) as I (*point up*) have loved you,’ (*point thumbs to chest*)
John 15:12. (*Open hands like a book.*)

“Now, let’s decorate your feet with the crayons! You can color your feet any way you want.”

After the Activity: “Jesus says, ‘Love each other as I have loved you.’ I’m so glad to know that **[Basic Truth] Jesus wants to be my friend forever.** We can love others because Jesus loves us! **Who can love like Jesus? [Bottom Line] I can love like Jesus.**”

2. Clean Feet

Talk about God | Bible Story Review

Made to Explore: An activity that channels a preschooler’s innate curiosity into a discussion of the week’s crucial concepts

What You Need: Dolls, plastic rectangular tub/ or bucket, water, and wash cloths;

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Pour about an inch of water into the plastic tub.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to wash the baby dolls' feet while you review the Bible story.

After the Activity: Talk about how when we love like Jesus, we let our light shine.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "I'm so happy you're here today! Come sit with me."

During the Activity: "I need help washing these babies' feet. Will you help me wash their feet? (Pause.) Thank you! Jesus washed His friends' feet in our Bible story today, because Jesus is a good friend. Jesus loves [child's name], and wants to be your friend forever." (Repeat with each child.)

After the Activity: "We can love like Jesus and be a good friend, too. **Who can love like Jesus? [Bottom Line] I can love like Jesus.**"

3. Wash the Feet

Live for God | Application Activity

Made to Create: An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, Bottom Line, or memory verse by creating a craft

What You Need: "Feet in Basin" Activity Page; cardstock; crayons; sandwich-sized zip-top bags; blue paper shreds; clear tape; and a permanent marker

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Feet in Basin" on cardstock, one per child. Write child's name on their paper. Put a small number of shreds in each bag.

During the Activity: Encourage children to color their paper then help tape the bag of shreds to them. Show children how to move the shreds around as if they were washing the feet.

After the Activity: Retell the Bible story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Hello, friends! Today, we heard a story how Jesus showed His love for His friends."

During the Activity: "What's the picture on your paper? (Pause.) Feet! Color the feet on your paper. Great job! Now, put this bag over the feet and I will help you tape it to your paper. (Pause.) Can you wash the feet on your paper like this? (Demonstrate.) Nice!"

After the Activity: "In our story today, Jesus' friends had been walking all day on the dusty road. Their feet were really dirty! Jesus wanted to show them how much He loved them, so He washed their feet. Jesus is so important. Jesus is God's Son. You are never too important to love others like Jesus. We can be good friends like Jesus, too! **Who can love like Jesus? [Bottom Line] I can love like Jesus.**"

