

WEEK 1 - June 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, “Large Group Story Pictures” Activity Pages, copy paper, five foam core boards, scissors or box cutter, heavy duty tape, and glue; *Optional Story Images*

What You Do: Print “Large Group Story Pictures” on paper as large as your foam core board (or whatever size you want). Glue each story image to one piece of foam core board. Cut the fifth piece of foam core board into strips and tape one strip to the back of each story picture to serve as a prop (like a desktop picture frame). Set the pictures face-down near the storytelling area.

The storyteller enters carrying a Bible.

STORYTELLER: “Hello, friends! I’m [your name], and I’m here to tell you a true story from the Bible.

Hold up the Bible and lay it open on the table next to the music player.

“And I have a feeling it will make you want to dance, because it’s all about how God loves us! Are you ready to hear it? *(Pause.)* Then let’s go!

Walk to the HEART story picture and prop it up for the children to see.

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“Can anyone tell me what this is? *(Point to the heart and pause.)* Yes! It’s a heart! And today’s true story begins with God’s LOVE for you *(point to children)*. Do you know how much God loves you? *(Pause.)* Hold your hands up like this.

Hold hands out in front of you like you’re measuring something. Hold them close together then widen them, wider and wider and wider, until they stretch out as wide as they can.

“God loves you so, So much . . . so, so, so much! Stretch your hands out as wide as you can! God loves you SO much that I can’t even show you how much it is! Yes! God’s love for us is so, SO big!

“Good job. You can put your hands down.

Walk to the WORLD story picture and prop it up beside the heart image for the children to see.

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“Now look at this. Do you know what this is? *(Pause.)* You’re right! It’s Earth. Where we live. It’s full of millions and millions of people. And God loves each and every one of them! You could live here *(point to a place on the world image)*, over here *(point to another place on the world image)*, or even here *(point to another place on the world image)*, and God would love you because God loves EVERYONE in the whole, wide world!

“But how do we know God loves us? It’s because God gave us . . .

Walk to the GIFT story picture and prop it up beside the world image for the children to see.

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“ . . . a gift! God loves us so much that He gave us a very special gift! The best gift of all! Are you ready to hear what the gift was? *(Pause.)* The gift was . . .

Walk to the JESUS story picture and prop it up beside the gift image for the children to see.

(Option: Display Story Image W1 01)

“ . . . JESUS! Yes! Jesus is the most special gift EVER. Jesus is God’s Son, and He came to be our friend forever! I told you today’s story was so exciting it would make you want to dance!

Walk behind the story pictures and point to each one as you reference them.

“Okay, let’s put it all together. God LOVED *(point to heart)* the WOLRD *(point to world)* so much that He GAVE *(point to gift)* us JESUS *(point to Jesus)*. Let’s say that together. Repeat after me!”

Point to each story image as you slowly repeat the story with the children.

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: “God LOVED the WORLD so much that He GAVE us JESUS.”

STORYTELLER: “Again!”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: “God LOVED the WORLD so much that He GAVE us JESUS.”

STORYTELLER: “Good job! We can trust that God loves us, because God gave us the best gift ever. God gave us Jesus to be our friend forever! **[Bottom Line] I can trust God**, and you can trust God.

“So, when I ask, ‘**Who can trust God?**’, I want you to say, **[Bottom Line] ‘I can trust God!’**
Let’s give it a try. **Who can trust God?**”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] “I can trust God!”

STORYTELLER: “One more time! **Who can trust God?**”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] “I can trust God!”

STORYTELLER: “You sure can! Okay friends, it’s time to pray. Let’s close our eyes and talk to God together.”

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: “Dear God, thank You for loving us SO much that You gave us Your Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever. We know we can trust You because You have shown us how much You love us. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.

“Thank you for being so, so wonderful! 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! Are you ready for worship? It's my favorite. Everyone on your feet because we have a lot to celebrate. God LOVES us so much that He sent Jesus, the best friend ever. We'll sing this new song all month long!

Lead children in singing "Jesus No Matter What," this month's worship song.

"I'm so thankful that God gave us Jesus! We can trust God, always. When I ask, '**Who can trust God?**', I want you to say, **[Bottom Line] 'I can trust God.'** **Who can trust God?**"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] "I can trust God."

WORSHIP LEADER: "That's right! **[Bottom Line] I can trust God!** The Bible teaches us that 'I (point thumbs to chest) trust in God (point up). I am not afraid (cross hands back and forth and shake head),' Psalm 56:11. (Open hands like a book.) Let's learn our memory verse together. Are you ready? Listen and watch as I say it and do the motions, then you can do it with me!

Lead the children to say the verse with the motions.

"Great job! You don't have to be afraid because you can always trust in God! Did you know that God is with you wherever you go? It's true! Let's sing 'God Is with Me!'

Lead children in singing "God Is with Me."

"God is with me, all the time! I'm SO glad to know that **[Basic Truth] God loves me** so **[Bottom Line] I can trust God. Who can trust God?**"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: [Bottom Line] "I can trust God."

Dismiss children to small groups.