WEEK 4 - 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, ball cap with a red heart on the front of it; toy crown; an old trophy; and a prop box; *Optional Story Images*

When the storyteller wears the ball cap, they should stand on one side of the table. When they wear the crown, they should stand on the other side of the table.

The storyteller enters carrying the prop box full of other items.

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

Take out the Bible, hold it up, then lay it open on the table.

"I know why the red, orange, and yellow scarves reminded [Host's name] about our Bible story today. Those are the colors of fire, and our story has fire in it. Are you ready to hear the story? (Pause.) Great!

"Today's true story from the Bible begins with a man named Elijah.

Put on the ball cap.

"Elijah was a friend of God. He loved (point to heart on cap) God and knew God can do anything. That's why Elijah trusted God.

Take the ball cap off and put on the crown.

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"But the king of the land, King Ahab, did not trust God. King Ahab believed in a pretend God. He even had a big statue of him.

Place the big trophy on the table.

"The king had a lot of people who told him over and over that his pretend god had super powers and that his statue could do anything. The king thought that was great.

Take the crown off and put on the ball cap.

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"But Elijah knew that it was NOT great. Elijah knew that there is only one true God and everyone needed to know. So, Elijah said to the king, 'Hey, king, let's do a test. We will each set up an altar then we will pray. The god who starts a fire on the altar is the real God—the one true God. Everyone agreed, and Elijah let King Ahab go first.

Take the ball cap off and put on the crown.

"So, King Ahab and his big group of people prayed to their pretend god. (*Point to the trophy.*) They shouted, but the pretend god did not send fire.

Take off the crown and put on the ball cap.

"So Elijah said, 'Maybe he's sleeping. Maybe you should shout louder.'

Take off the ball cap off and put on the crown.

"And that's what King Ahab and his people did. They shouted louder and louder, but their pretend god still didn't answer with fire. Now it was Elijah's turn.

Take off the crown and put on the ball cap.

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"Elijah trusted God and believed that God can do anything. So Elijah went to the altar. He had people pour water all over it so it would be really hard to light on fire, then he prayed to God.

Bow your head like you're praying.

"God, we believe You are the one true God. We believe You can do anything! Show Your power God so all the people here can see that You are the one true God and You have the power to do anything.

Take off the ball cap and look at the children.

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"And guess what happened? (*Pause.*) God did it! God sent fire down on the wet altar, then everyone knew that God is the one true God! Wow! God is SO powerful! God can do anything! When we remember that God can do anything, it helps us trust God. [*Bottom Line*] I can trust God, and you can trust God. Who can trust God?"

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

STORYTELLER: "Louder! Who can trust God?"

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

STORYTELLER: "Yes, you can!

"Okay friends, it's time to pray. Let's close our eyes and talk to God together."

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: "Dear God, You are the one true God, and there is no one else like You. You are powerful and loving and always with us. Thank You for being so awesome! I hope we never, ever, EVER stop trusting You. 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: "Friends, can you believe it's already the LAST week of the month? Crazy, right? Remember, God loves us so much that He gave us Jesus. And guess what? You can change the world because Jesus loves you! Let's sing this out with all we've got!

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

"I'm SO glad God sent us Jesus to show us just how much He loves us. And, because God loves us, we can trust Him. 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 say it together.

Lead the children to say the verse with the motions.

"You don't have to be afraid because God loves you, and He has a REALLY awesome plan for you and me. That's one more reason why **[Bottom Line]** I can trust God. Let's sing about God's really awesome plan!

Lead children in singing "Really Awesome Plan."

"Because [Basic Truth] God loves me, and because He sent Jesus, [Bottom Line] I can trust God. Now it's your turn. One more time with all you've got, who can you trust?"

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

Dismiss children to small groups.