

WEEK 2 - June 2021 - TWO'S

Today's Bible Story: We can trust God's plan.

Jericho • Joshua 5:13-6:27

Memory Verse: "I trust in God. I am not afraid." Psalm 56:11, NIrV

Key Question: Who can trust God?
Bottom Line: I can trust God.
Basic Truth: God loves me.

Make it Fun

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

.-Fall Down

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.

- -Story Song
- -Circle March
- -Toot your Horn

First 15 min - MAKE IT FUN

1. Fall Down

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

What You Need: No supplies needed.

What You Do:

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

During the Activity: Invite the children to do a movement then fall down to the floor. Movements are jump up and down, run in place, and pretend to jump on a wall. After each movement the children should get up and repeat with a new movement.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Today, we'll hear a Bible story about a wall that falls down."

During the Activity: "Let's do some fun movements then fall down just like the wall in our Bible story. Are you ready? (Pause.) Here we go! Everyone, jump up and down. Now, FALL! Nice job! Let's do it again. Everyone, run in place! FALL! WOW! You are so good at this. Now, pretend to climb a wall. Now, FALL!"

After the Activity: "Great job! That was so much fun! Now it's time to hear our exciting Bible story!"

Transition: Move to Worship and Story by pretending to fall as you move to the story area.

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE (snack)

What You Need: "Jesus No Matter What"

LEADER: "Friends, are you ready to sing, dance, and tell God how much you love Him? You know, God loves you, and you can always trust Him! **Who can trust God?**"

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

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

LEADER: [Basic Truth] "God loves me, and God loves you, so He sent us Jesus! I'm so glad I can trust God! Who can trust God?"

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

Last 20 min- MAKE IT STICK

1. Story Song

Talk about God | Bible Story Review

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

What You Need: No supplies needed.

What You Do:

During the Activity: March around the room as you sing the story song and do the motions together.

After the Activity: Talk about how we can trust God's plan because God's plan is always best.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "I'm so happy to see you today! Come stand with me and get ready to march like Joshua."

During the Activity: "In our Bible story, Joshua trusted God and did what He said. And God made the wall fall down! Let's pretend we are Joshua. Just do what I do and say what I say.

(March while you sing the song below to the tune of "Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush.")

"I'm marching 'round Jericho, Jericho, Jericho.

I'm marching 'round Jericho,

'cause I can trust God.

"Listen as I blow my horn, blow my horn, blow my horn,

Listen as I blow my horn,

'cause I can trust God. (Blow hand horn.)

"I will give a great big shout, great big shout, great big shout.

I will give a great big shout,

'cause I can trust God. (Give one quick shout.)

"The wall will come falling down, falling down, falling down."

The wall will come falling down,

'cause I can trust God. (Everyone falls down.)

(Repeat.)

After the Activity: "Joshua trusted God's plan and did what God said. We can trust God's plan and do what God says, too! Who can trust God? [Bottom Line] I can trust God! Yes! [Bottom Line] I can trust God!"

2. Circle March

Live for God | Application Activity

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

What You Need: Floor tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Tape a large circle on the floor in the activity area.

During the Activity: Ask the children to march around the circle seven times. After the seventh time, ask the children to fall just like the wall did in the Bible story. Repeat several times.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "I see a big circle on our floor! Let's march around the circle!"

During the Activity: "Let's march seven times then fall just like the wall did in our Bible story today!" (Do activity.)

After the Activity: "That was so much fun! God has a plan for all of us, and we can trust His plan. Who can trust God? [Bottom Line] I can trust God!"

3. Toot Your Horn

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: "Toot Your Horn Label" Activity Page; Avery[®] #5160 labels or equivalent; party horns; heart and smiley face stickers; and a permanent marker

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Toot Your Horn Label" on the label paper, one per child. Write child's name on their party horn.

During the Activity: Encourage children to add the label to their horn then decorate with stickers.

After the Activity: Review the Bible Story and have children toot their horn when directed in the story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's make a horn to blow like they did in our Bible Story today."

During the Activity: "I have a label for you to put on first. It tells you where to find today's story in the Bible. Put it on your horn. (Pause.) Now decorate your horn with the heart and smiley face stickers. (Pause.) Nice job. Let's review the Bible story. When I tell you to, we'll blow our horns."

After the Activity: "Today, we learned about a man named Joshua. He was the leader of God's army. God told Joshua that he would take the city of Jericho even though they had a great big

wall around the city. God told Joshua to march around the wall for six days. Joshua didn't understand how God's plan would work, but he trusted God. He and his army marched around the wall for six days.

"Then on day seven, God told Joshua to march around the wall seven times and blow their horns. Let's blow our horns! (*Pause.*) Great job blowing your horns. What day did they blow their horns? (*Pause.*) Day seven. Let's blow our horns again. Go! (*Pause.*) Joshua still didn't understand it, but he trusted God's plan. And, the wall came down. They won! God is amazing! Sometimes, we may not understand how God's plan will work, but we can trust God. **Who can trust God?** [Bottom Line] I can trust God."