



WEEK 3 - 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, NIV

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

.-See the Light

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.

-Soft and Loud
-Trusted Tunnel
-Gideon's Torch

First 15 min - MAKE IT FUN

1. See the Light

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

What You Need: Preschool safe, battery-powered lights

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place the lights in the activity area.

Option: If you have the ability to dim the lights then do so but do not turn out the lights completely since many two-year-olds are afraid of the dark. This activity will work well even with the lights on.

During the Activity: Allow the children to play with lights. Encourage the children to turn the lights on and off.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Today, we'll hear a Bible story about a group of people who used a light to follow God's plan!"

During the Activity: "We have some really cool lights to play with (*point*). Let's play together and turn the lights on and off!" (*Do activity.*)

After the Activity: "We will hear a Bible story, today, about a different kind of light called a torch!"

Transition: Move to Worship and Story by looking for different kinds of lights as you walk to the story area

Large group - MAKE IT TRUE (*snack*)

What You Need: "Jesus No Matter What"

LEADER: "Hey, everyone! I'm SO glad to see you today. On your feet, it's time to worship. Let's tell God, 'Thank You' for loving us and sending us Jesus! What a BIG reason to trust Him.

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

“You are loved in the morning, loved in the evening, loved, NO matter what! God loves you and **[Basic Truth] God loves me. Tell me, who can trust God?**”

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

Last 20 min- MAKE IT STICK

1. Soft and Loud

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: No supplies needed.

What You Do:

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

During the Activity: Invite the children to say the memory verse in a soft voice then in a loud voice. Repeat several times.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Gideon’s army had to be quiet at first, then they were LOUD and scared away the other army.”

During the Activity: “Let’s say our memory verse in a quiet voice then a LOUD voice. First, let’s say our memory verse in a soft voice. (*Say verse in a whisper.*) Nice job! Now, let’s say the memory verse in LOUD voice! (*Shout the memory verse.*) Way to go! Let’s do it again!” (*Repeat several times.*)

After the Activity: “Awesome! We can trust God because He has a plan for us all! **Who can trust God? [Bottom Line] I can trust God!**”

2. Trusted Tunnel

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: Preschool-safe slide; *Optional preschool tunnel instead of slide*

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place the slide in the middle of the activity area.

During the Activity: Invite the children to slide down the slide. Ask the children to say, “I can trust God” as they slide.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Yay, a slide!”

During the Activity: “We can all trust God! Let’s slide down the slide and say, ‘I can trust God,’ as we slide down! Are you ready?” (*Do activity.*)

After the Activity: “We can all trust God! **Who can trust God? [Bottom Line] I can trust God!**”

3. Gideon’s Torch

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: “Gideon’s Torch Label” Activity Page; Avery® #5160 labels or equivalent; cardstock; red, yellow, and orange tissue paper; scissors; clear tape; and a permanent marker

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy “Gideon’s Torch Label” on the label paper, one per child. Roll cardstock into a tube and tape closed. Write child’s name on their torch (cardstock roll). Cut tissue paper in half.

During the Activity: Encourage children to stack a red, yellow, and orange piece of tissue together and push into their tube. Add the label. March around the room holding the torches and shouting “For the Lord and for Gideon.” Repeat as many times as desired.

After the Activity: Review the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Let’s make a torch like Gideon’s army used in our Bible story today.”

During the Activity: “Stack your tissue paper together and push it into one end of your tube to make the torch. (*Pause.*) Super. Now add your label. It tells you where to find the story of Gideon in the Bible. (*Pause.*) Stand up and grab your torches. (*Pause.*) March with me. Hold your torches high and shout, ‘For the Lord and for Gideon!’ (*Repeat.*) Keep marching with me.” (*Repeat as many times as desired.*)”

After the Activity: “In today’s story, we heard how God told Gideon to use his small army to battle the really, really big Midianite army. Gideon didn’t think he should be the one in charge of God’s army, but he trusted God and did what God told him to do. Gideon told each soldier to take a trumpet, a torch, and a jar then follow him. They snuck into the Midianites camp. When Gideon told them to, they blew their trumpets, broke their jars to let their torches shine, and shouted, ‘For the Lord and for Gideon!’ And just like that, the Midianites ran away! God’s army won! You are never too small to trust God. **Who can trust God? [Bottom Line] I can trust God.**”