



WEEK  
**FIVE**  
OCTOBER 2021

SMALL GROUP  
**3-5** YEAR  
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PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION  
15 MINUTES

### MADE TO MOVE

an activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn



### SUPER KID FREEZE

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Music player and the monthly song, "Super Duper Kids" from the Thriving Teams site.

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Have the children stand in front of you.

### BIBLE STORY

We can celebrate that God made me to do big things.

**DAVID PRAISES  
2 SAMUEL 6:12-15**

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Turn the music on and ask the children to dance. After about 30 seconds, turn off the music and ask the children to stand very still or FREEZE in a super-kid pose. A super-kid pose is standing up straight with hands on the hips. Replay the music and ask the children to dance again. Repeat the activity several times in 30 second increments.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**  
**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "SUPER KIDS are going to dance!"

### MEMORY VERSE

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid . . . for the Lord your God goes with you."

**DEUTERONOMY 31:6, NIV**

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "I will turn on our song, 'Super Duper Kids.' When you hear the music, dance. When the music stops, everyone FREEZE and show me your super-kid pose. (*Demonstrate.*) Are you ready?" (*Do activity.*)

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "Whew! That was so much fun! Today, we'll hear a Bible story about someone who danced and praised God."

**TRANSITION:** Move to Worship and Story by walking in the super-kid pose to the story area.

### KEY QUESTION

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### BOTTOM LINE

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### BASIC TRUTH

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25 MINUTES

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## PARTY HAT MEMORY VERSE

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE REVIEW]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Memory Verse Labels" Activity Page; Avery® #5160 labels or equivalent; party hats; and superhero stickers

### WHAT YOU DO:

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Copy "Memory Verse Labels" on label paper, one label per child. Set the party hats and superhero stickers on the table.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Give each child a memory verse sticker. Encourage the children to place the label on their party hat. Point out the text and repeat the verse together. Have the children add superhero stickers to the hat as decoration. Write each child's name on the inside of their hats.

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Set party hats aside for pick up. Collect all remaining stickers and labels and set aside for clean-up.

### WHAT YOU SAY:

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Friends! We can celebrate that God made us to do big things. Let's decorate some party hats with our memory verse."

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "This label has our memory verse. Let's put it on the side of our hats. Say it with me. 'Be strong and courageous (*cross fists over chest*). Do not be afraid (*cross hands back and forth*) . . . for the Lord your God (*point up*) goes with you,' (*hands on hips*) Deuteronomy 31:6. (*Open hands like a book*.)

"Let's decorate our hats with the stickers, too!"

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "This month, we've been learning that **God made me to do big things**. It's true! And the best part is, God is with us wherever we go! He will help us be strong and courageous as we do big things. **Who made you to do big things? God made me to do big things.**"

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## MADE TO THINK

an advanced activity specifically designed for older preschoolers



## BIG THINGS CHART

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Butcher paper, marker, and wall tape

**WHAT YOU DO:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Draw a line vertically down the center of a piece of butcher paper. Tape the butcher paper

on the wall of your activity area at preschooler level.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Gather the children to sit in front of the butcher paper. On the left-hand side, encourage children to share some big things David did and write them down. On the right-hand side, encourage the children to share some big things God has for them to do and write them down. Be prepared to help with answers if they need it: God made me to help, to be kind, to show love to others, to pray, etc.)

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Friends, come sit with me! Let's create a big things chart."

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "We've been learning all month long about David from the Bible. He did some very big things. Can you name some big things David did? I will write them on this side of our chart. *(Write the children's answers.)*

"That's a great list! Now, let's think of some big things God has for you and me to do! I'll write them on the other side of our chart." *(Finish activity.)*

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "This is an awesome list, friends. God made David to do big things, and He made YOU to do big things, too! One more time, **who made you to do big things? God made me to do big things.**"

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## MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that encourages personal application and prayer



## JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Paperclipped "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at Deuteronomy 31:6; journal; fun-shaped pen; party horns; and reward stickers or handstamp

**SMALL GROUP LEADER (SGL):** "It's Small Group time! Today, we'll clap our hands and praise God, like David did, while we walk to our small group spot. Clap your hands and follow me! (*Clap and cheer for God as you lead the children to your small group spot.*)

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"Yay, God! We made it! Now we can sit down and talk about today's Bible story. One, two, three, sit down with me! (*Open the Bible and lay it in front of the children.*) Our Bible story, today, was about how David praised God because God made him to do big things. And not only did God make David to do big things, God helped David be strong and courageous! Just like it says in the Bible verse we have been learning. (*Turn the pages of your Bible to the Memory Verse Card.*)

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**DEUTERONOMY 31:6, NIV**

"'Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid . . . for the Lord your God goes with you.' Deuteronomy 31:6. (*Close Bible and lay it down.*)

"The awesome thing is that God didn't just help David be strong and courageous. God will help you and me be strong and courageous, too! Come on super kids! Let's stand up and say that verse together with the motions."

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**CHILDREN AND SGL:** "'Be strong and courageous (*cross fists over chest*). Do not be afraid (*cross hands back and forth*) . . . for the Lord your God (*point up*) goes with you,' (*hands on hips*) Deuteronomy 31:6." (*Open hands like a book.*)

**SGL:** "Yay! Okay, you can sit back down. Anyone who wants to try to say it can. I have my [stickers/handstamp] ready! (*Give each child the opportunity to try to say the Bible verse.*)

### BOTTOM LINE

God made me to do big things.

"You did it super [child's name]! Here is your [sticker/handstamp]! (*Repeat with each child as they try to say the Bible verse.*)

"Okay, super kids! When I count to three, I want everyone to stand up and show me their [sticker/handstamp]. One, two, three! (*Pause to look.*) Woo-hoo! (*Give fist bumps to the children.*)

### BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

"Now, let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. (*Hold journal and fun-shaped pen.*) David celebrated and praised God because God made him to do big things. Today, I want us to celebrate and praise God because He made us to do big things, too! And I have just the thing to help us celebrate. PARTY HORNS!



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## (JOURNAL AND PRAYER, CONTINUED)

"This is what we'll do. When I write your name in our prayer journal, I want you to stand up, and I'll give you a party horn. You'll blow it and say, '**God made me to do big things!**' Got it?"

"Okay, when I say your name, stand up. I will write your name in our prayer journal, and you will blow your horn and say, '**God made me to do big things!**' Listen for your name! (Say each child's name, write their name in the prayer journal, and give them a party horn. Let them say the Bottom Line before you continue to the next child. Remember to print the names so the children can recognize their names and the letters.)"

"Yay, God! God made you, and **God made me to do big things!** Now it's time to pray. Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

(Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.)

## PRAYER

**SGL:** "Dear God, There is no one else like You. No one loves as big as You. No one has power as big as You. No one can help us as big as You. You are AWESOME! Thank You for helping us be strong and courageous so we can do the big things You made us to do. Thank You for making [child's name] to do big things. Thank You for making [child's name] to do big things . . . (continue with each child). We just want to celebrate and praise You, God, and tell You we love You. In Jesus' name, amen."