



TODAY’S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

BIBLE STORY

Jesus wants me to tell others He is alive.

GREAT COMMISSION
MATTHEW 28:19-20

MEMORY VERSE

“I am alive for ever and ever!”

REVELATION 1:18, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who is alive?

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus is alive.

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

See the **Getting Ready** pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you’ll need for today.

In the **Prelude** folder of your curriculum, you’ll find a variety of other resources to help you prepare.

SMALL GROUP

15
MIN

SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Offer one or more of these activities as preschoolers arrive.

Mountain Climbers
Message
One, Two, Three GO!

LARGE GROUP

20
MIN

WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God

STORY: Communicating God’s truth in engaging ways

“He Is Alive” and “He’s Alive, Oh Yeah”

Bible Story
Prayer

SMALL GROUP

25
MIN

GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Offer as many of these activities as your time, facilities, resources, and leadership allow.

Travel and Tell
Good News Megaphone
Tell Me Something!
Go and Tell
My Little Laptop
Journal and Prayer

HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

Going Home
Parent Cue Card (*print or email*)
Parent Cue App



PRELUDE SOCIAL **WORSHIP** STORY GROUPS HOME

10 MINUTES

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LARGE GROUP

ENGAGE CHILDREN'S HEARTS THROUGH A DYNAMIC AND INTERACTIVE WORSHIP, BIBLE STORY, AND PRAYER EXPERIENCE IN A LARGE GROUP SETTING.

WORSHIP

WHAT YOU NEED: "Memory Verse Card" from Week One paperclipped in Bible; instruments or music player; this month's worship song, "He Is Alive," included in your monthly files; and "He's Alive, Oh Yeah" available on Apple Music®, Spotify®, and OrangeKidsMusic.com; Optional Dance Moves Videos for "He Is Alive," available in the Media Package if you subscribe or from OrangeKidsMusic.com and "He's Alive, Oh Yeah," available from OrangeKidsMusic.com

WHAT YOU DO: Download all songs and have them ready to use.

WORSHIP LEADER: "Hello, sweet friends! I'm SO glad to see you because it's time for worship! We've been learning all month long something big—really BIG! Do you remember what we're learning? **Jesus is alive! Who is alive?**"

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP LEADER: "**Jesus is alive!**"

WORSHIP LEADER: "Stand up and sing this with me!

Lead children in singing "He Is Alive," this month's worship song.

"I just can't stop singing about it! I just wanna tell the world that **Jesus is alive!** Let's say our memory verse together!"

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP LEADER: "'I am alive (*point up*) for ever and ever,' (*twirl around*) Revelation 1:18. (*Open hands like a book.*)

WORSHIP LEADER: "Great job, friends! Because Jesus is alive for ever and ever, we can worship Him and tell Him how much we love Him! He's bigger, stronger, greater than anything ever.

Lead children in singing "He's Alive, Oh Yeah."

"Remember, we worship Jesus because He is alive! **Who is alive?**"

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP LEADER: "**Jesus is alive!**"



INTRO SKETCH

WHAT YOU NEED: Table, basket, small megaphone, toy microphone, and a two-way radio

NOTE: Either the megaphone, microphone, or two-way radio needs to be able to hang around the Host's neck.

WHAT YOU DO: Put the megaphone, microphone, and radio in the basket. Preset the table in the center of the storytelling area.

The Host enters, carrying the basket of items.

HOST: "Hi, friends! Welcome to [your environment's name or story time]! It's me, [your name]!"

"Look at all of these cool things I found!"

Dump the basket on the table.

"First, I have a megaphone.

Hold up the megaphone.

"It makes my voice really big, like this. (*Talk into the megaphone.*) ONE . . . TWO . . . THREE!"

Lay the megaphone down and pick up the microphone.

"Next, I have this super cool microphone. I can sing in it! (*Sing into the microphone.*) Onnnnne . . . twooooo . . . threeeeeee!"

Lay the microphone down and pick up the two-way radio.

"And this is a walky-talky. I can use it to talk to my dad, even when he's all the way inside the house. (*Talk into the radio.*) One . . . two . . . three . . . one . . . two . . . three. Over.

Lay down the radio and begin putting everything back in the basket.

"There are so many different ways I can talk to people.

"Our Bible story today is about how Jesus wants us to talk to people. I wonder what Jesus wants us to tell them. Let's find out! See you later!"

The Host exits with the basket of items.



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BIBLE STORY

WHAT YOU NEED: Table from Intro Sketch, Bible, and jumbo numbers from previous weeks *Optional: Story Images and cardstock*

WHAT YOU DO: Preset the jumbo numbers in the storytelling area. *Optional: Copy Story Images on cardstock or download them to display on a screen.*

Storyteller enters, carrying the Bible.

STORYTELLER: "Hello, friends! I'm [your name]! It's so great to see you! We're still celebrating Easter at [your environment's name]. Easter is when we celebrate that **Jesus is alive!** Let's count to three together and say, '**Jesus is alive!**'"

Point to the numbers as you count with the children.

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: "One . . . two . . . three . . . **Jesus is alive!**"

STORYTELLER: "Yes, He is! And I'm here to tell you a true story from the Bible.

Hold up the Bible and lay it open on the table.

"The story is about one really important thing that Jesus wants ALL of us to do. Jesus told some of His friends about the one important thing while on a mountain. Stand up, and let's pretend we're climbing to the top of a mountain together. Ready? Climb with me like this!

Pretend to climb by marching in place while reaching with your arms.

"Keep climbing! We're almost at the top of the mountain!

"Whew! We made it! Great climbing, everyone! You can sit down now.

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"Okay, so my story begins on a mountain with Jesus and His friends, the disciples. While they were on the mountain, Jesus gave His friends an important job to do. What do you think that important job is? *(Pause.)* When I count to three, I'll tell you what it is. *(Point to the numbers as you count.)* One, two, three . . . GO and TELL!

"This time, when I point to the numbers, count with me, then we will say, 'GO and TELL' together."

Point to the numbers as you count with the children.

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: "One . . . two . . . three . . . GO and TELL!"

STORYTELLER: "Again!"

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: "One . . . two . . . three . . . GO and TELL!"



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STORYTELLER: "Good job! Jesus told His friends to GO and TELL everyone, everywhere that **Jesus is alive** and wants to be your friend forever. That's a very special job!

"And guess what! Jesus wants ALL of His friends, like you and me, to do that job, too! Let's practice telling some people that **Jesus is alive** and wants to be your friend forever.

(Option: Display Story Image W4 02)

"Oh, look! It's grandma! Let's go and tell her. Ready? Count with me and say, '**Jesus is alive** and wants to be your friend forever.'"

Point to the numbers as you count with the children.

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: "One . . . two . . . three . . . **Jesus is alive** and wants to be your friend forever!"

STORYTELLER: "Good job! Let's practice some more.

(Option: Display Story Image W4 03)

"Oh, look! It's the checkout person at the grocery store. Let's tell him! Now count with me and say, '**Jesus is alive** and wants to be your friend forever.'"

Point to the numbers as you count with the children.

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: "One . . . two . . . three . . . **Jesus is alive** and wants to be your friend forever!"

STORYTELLER: "Let's try one more.

(Option: Display Story Image W4 04)

"Look! It's our friends playing at the park. Let's go and tell them! Ready?"

Point to the numbers as you count with the children.

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: "One . . . two . . . three . . . **Jesus is alive** and wants to be your friend forever!"

STORYTELLER: "That was fantastic! See? We can GO and TELL everyone, everywhere that **Jesus is alive** and wants to be their friend forever! We all have a very important job to do!

"So every time you hear someone ask, '**Who is alive?,'** I want you to say, '**Jesus is alive!**' Ready? **Who is alive?!"**

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: "**Jesus is alive!**"

STORYTELLER: "Louder! **Who is alive?!"**



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STORYTELLER: "That's right! **Jesus is alive** AND Jesus wants to be your friend forever!

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

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: "Dear God, thank You that **Jesus is alive** and wants to be our friend forever. Help us go and tell everyone, everywhere that **Jesus is alive** and wants to be their friend forever, too. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.

"And just like that, it's time for me to go. Don't forget to go and tell everyone the good news about Jesus! Bye!"

Storyteller exits with the Bible.

OUTRO SKETCH

WHAT YOU NEED: Small megaphone, toy microphone, and two-way radio from Intro Sketch

The Host enters with the hanging item around their neck while holding the other two items.

HOST: "Wow! Jesus told His friends to go and tell everyone, everywhere that **Jesus is alive** and wants to be their friend forever! And Jesus wants us to go and tell, too!

"I think I got the story. Did you get it? (Pause.) If you did, give me two thumbs-up (*hold up two thumbs*) and say, 'Got it!' (Pause.) Get it?"

CHILDREN AND HOST: "Got it!"

HOST: "Good!"

Hold up the two items in your hands.

"Hey! I can use all of these things to go and tell everyone, everywhere that **Jesus is alive** AND Jesus wants to be their friend forever! Cool!

"See you next time. Bye!"

Host skips happily as they exit.



GETTING READY

HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO GET READY FOR THIS WEEK

Gather children for a Large Group time that includes interactive worship, the introductory sketch, and the Bible story. The Stage Script is written for those who gather their preschoolers together from multiple rooms and have a larger space on which to present the Bible story. If you are pulling your children to a rug to one side of your preschool space, you may benefit from using the Rug Script.

WORSHIP: INVITING PEOPLE TO RESPOND TO GOD (10 MINUTES)

A Worship Leader and live instruments are recommended to sing along with the music tracks. Encourage children to be active during worship by incorporating the appropriate hand motions.

STORY: COMMUNICATING GOD'S TRUTH IN ENGAGING WAYS (10 MINUTES)

Choose an engaging adult to tell the Bible story. This person should be able to command the attention of preschoolers and control the group through animated storytelling. These scripts are written to be "told" and not "read." Advanced preparation is necessary.

1. WORSHIP

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Leader(s)
- Instruments or music player
- "Memory Verse Card" from Week One paperclipped in your Bible at Revelation 1:18

MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS:

- This month's worship song, "He Is Alive," included in your monthly files
- "He's Alive, Oh Yeah," available on the All Good Album on Apple Music®, Spotify®, and OrangeKidsMusic.com

OPTIONAL VIDEOS (AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE):

- Dance Moves Music Video for "He Is Alive," available in the Media Package if you subscribe or from OrangeKidsMusic.com
- Dance Moves Music Video for "He's Alive, Oh Yeah," available from OrangeKidsMusic.com

WHAT YOU DO:

- Download all songs (available on OrangeKidsMusic.com) and have them ready to use.

2. INTRO/OUTRO SKETCH

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Table
- Basket
- Small megaphone
- Toy microphone
- Two-way radio
- NOTE: Either the megaphone, microphone, or two-way radio needs to be able to hang around the Host's neck.

WHAT YOU DO:

- Put all of the items in a basket.
- Preset the table in the storytelling area.

3. BIBLE STORY

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Table from Intro Sketch
- Bible
- Jumbo 1, 2, and 3 from previous weeks
- Optional: Story Images and cardstock

LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Story Image W4 01
- Story Image W4 02
- Story Image W4 03
- Story Image W4 04

WHAT YOU DO:

- Preset the numbers in the storytelling area.
- Optional: Copy Story Images on cardstock or download them to display on a screen.

SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCES

WONDER, LOOK AT GOD'S STORY: First Look offers weekly introductory sketches and Bible stories on the DVD titled "Wonder, Look at God's Story." This DVD is available for purchase at OrangeStore.org or as part of your monthly Media Package.

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