



FOR LEADERS ONLY

Thanking God for who He is, what He has done, and what He has given us is something people have been doing for a very, very, VERY long time. You could say that the people in the Bible make up this super long PARADE OF THANKS . . . and it's up to us to keep it going! We want our preschoolers to continue this Parade of Thanks by teaching them they can thank God for everything—literally everything! Their light-up shoes, their new toy, their snack, their favorite rock . . . EVERYTHING! So let's make sure the Parade of Thanks that God's people began so long ago continues with us and our preschoolers as we choose to thank God for everything!

WEEK 1

Story Focus: I can thank God for family. Naomi, Ruth, and Boaz show us that God gives us people we can call family. After Naomi's husband and sons died, one of which was Ruth's husband, Ruth stayed with Naomi and helped gather grain so they had food to eat. Then, God added Boaz to their family, and Naomi was thankful.

WEEK 2

Story Focus: I can thank God for friends. David and Jonathan show us that God gives us friends. Tough times can make us even more thankful for our friends, and David and Jonathan had their share of tough times for sure! But they remained faithful to each other. Jonathan gives David gifts to show he is thankful David is his friend. We can thank God for our friends too!

WEEK 3

Story Focus: I can thank God for food. After Moses led God's people out of Egypt – which was A LOT of people – they all began asking him for food. There was just one problem. There was no food. None. Not one bite. But God did what only God can do and provides meat at night and bread in the morning. We can thank God for our food too!

WEEK 4

Story Focus: I can thank God all the time. David praises God with music and dancing. And we don't have to wait for a certain time to thank God. We can thank God for everything all the time! Morning time? Let's have a parade! Lunch time? Let's have a parade! Bedtime? Let's have a parade! Yes, any time is the right time for a Parade of Thanks, because we can always give thanks to God.